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H.K.-BOUND SHIP AGROUND

"Turk's Head" Runs Ashore Off Hainan

Precautions Taken Against Pirates

Manila, Jan. 20.
 The 5,000-ton Philippine motorship "Turk's Head" has run aground off Hainan Island, with 206 passengers and general cargo aboard. She is in no immediate danger but is taking full precautions against piracy, Everett Steamship Corporation officials said today.

The "Turk's Head" went aground Sunday night. Her captain reported by radio that the vessel (built in 1945) was partly aground and partly afloat. A rescue tug, "Pauline" was dispatched from Hong Kong and was approximately 200 miles southwest and due to reach the vessel late on Wednesday.

Spitfires Collide At Kai Tak

An RAF pilot was seriously injured in a collision between two Spitfires at Kai Tak yesterday.

The RAF Public Relations Officer, F. L. Cristfield, refused to disclose the name of the injured man until confirmation has been received that the next-of-kin have been notified.

One version was that the accident occurred when the two planes were landing. The plane behind crashed into a stationary plane which had landed first.

Another version was that it occurred when the planes were taking off. The front plane stalled suddenly before it became airborne and as a result the following Spitfire crashed into it.

Both aircraft were badly damaged. A fire broke out but was put out by the fire fighting force in a short time.

The injured pilot suffered broken limbs.

TODAY'S FUNNY STORY

London, Jan. 20.
 The Communist "Daily Worker" said today that reports of urgently needed railway freight and passenger cars have been delayed by the conversion of two cars into luxuriously appointed private cars for Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip at the Wolverhampton Railway Workshop.

The first coach comprises a large lounge, a bedroom for Philip, two bathrooms, Elizabeth's bedroom and the lady-in-waiting's bedroom. The second contains two bedrooms for the staff, two bathrooms, the staff dining room and a large kitchen.

The paper said the coaches had telephones throughout, are air-conditioned and had a decorative scheme of English walnut.

"The floors are also sprayed with a special asbestos preparation to keep the Royal fleet warm," the Daily Worker said.—United Press.

Chinese To Boycott Council

Singapore, Jan. 20.
 The Associated Chinese Chambers of Commerce of Malaya announced today that they will boycott the Federal Legislative Council and State Legislative Councils being established for the new federation of Malaya.

The federation is expected to be inaugurated on Feb. 1. The Chinese Chambers said they would refuse to nominate Chinese representatives to any of the Malayan legislatures until the new constitution is altered to conform to their demands for more privileges for Malayan Chinese.

Foreign groups outnumber the Malay natives in the Peninsula. The union has been accepted by the Malays, and by the Indians, Eurasians, and other communities except the Chinese.—Associated Press.

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Some of the 400 students from the University of London who volunteered their spare time to clear away rubble which has been lying in the streets of Hong Kong since the Queen's Square on Jan. 10. Associated Press Photo shows Heather Cook, a school teacher of Stockwell, assisting students to remove sand from the roadway.

British Gesture To Italy

London, Jan. 19.
 Britain's surrender of her share of the Italian Navy, due to her under the terms of the Italian peace treaty, is unconditional, it was authoritatively confirmed in London today.

Britain renounced the ships to which she was entitled in a communique issued at the end of the visit paid to London last October by Count Carlo Sforza, the Italian Foreign Minister.

This decision, which was followed by a similar announcement by the United States, was not made conditional on any similar move by the Soviet Union or France, as was suggested in a press report published in London today.

As a result of the British and United States decisions, Italy was empowered to retain the scrap derived from breaking up the vessels in question.

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To Die Tomorrow

Japanese Rear-Admiral Sakonju Naomasa, sentenced to death by the No. 5 War Crimes Court on Oct. 30 last year, will be executed at Stanley tomorrow morning.

Rear-Admiral Sakonju Naomasa was charged, together with other high ranking Japanese officers, with being concerned in the death of 65 survivors of the M. V. Behar, sunk in the Indian Ocean in 1944.

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Tension Relaxes Over Kowloon Speedy Settlement In Sight?

Nanking, Jan. 20.
 The Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, told an Executive Yuan meeting today that the tension resulting from the Kowloon incident had relaxed and a "speedy settlement" of the squatter dispute is being sought.

Dr. Wang referred to the Canton rioting—in which the British Consulate and other British buildings were razed to the ground—as a "separate incident" of which action is being deferred. While a full investigation is being conducted by the Chinese Government, he said the British authorities are advancing no formula for the solution pending instructions from London.

Information available here today indicated the possibility of a compromise settlement of the Kowloon question. It is believed the Hong Kong authorities will refrain from further action enforcing the eviction order while the remaining squatters will be prevailed upon by their own Government to move to an alternative site.

In return, the Chinese will retain their claim to nominal sovereignty in the Kowloon Walled City. While the British authorities in Nanking were reticent on the Kowloon and Canton issues, the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, said that following reservations for compensation made on January 16, he filed a formal request with the Chinese Government in an interview with Dr. Wang Shih-chieh yesterday.

He was hopeful that an amicable settlement of the Kowloon dispute would soon be reached.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen Meanwhile, in Shanghai the American-owned "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury," commenting on the Kowloon affairs, recalled an extract from the speech by Dr. Sun Yat-sen made 25 years ago at the Hong Kong University:—"Where did I get my revolutionary and modern ideas from? The answer is, I got them from this very place, in the Colony of Hong Kong."

"I compared Hongkang (Dr. Sun Yat-sen's birthplace) with Hongkong and although they are only 50 miles apart, the difference of government impressed me very much."

"English Example" "Afterwards I saw the outside world," Dr. Sun quoted as saying, "and I began to wonder how it was that a foreigner, an Englishman, could do so much as they had done, for example with the barren rock of Hong Kong within 70 or 80 years while in 4,000 years China had no place like Hong Kong."

"We must learn by English examples." "We must carry this English example of good government to every part of China."

The "Evening Post" added: "In this as in other things, perhaps Dr. Sun was a little ahead of his time."—Reuter.

"Indifference" Taipei, Jan. 20. The Taiwanese reaction to the Kowloon incident is one of complete indifference.

One Taiwanese doctor said: "The Chinese burned down British buildings in Canton and demonstrated in other cities, but when conditions became bad here last year and the people rose last in protest in the same way Chinese soldiers slaughtered us by the thousands."

"We cannot demonstrate against the British Consulate if we wanted. Anyway, we do not want to demonstrate."—United Press.

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Bomb Attempt On Gandhi?

New Delhi, Jan. 20.
 A crude bomb exploded 15 yards from Mr. Gandhi as he was addressing his prayer meeting tonight. No body was injured and Mr. Gandhi continued with his speech.

Afterwards the police arrested a well-dressed young man reported to be in possession of another crude bomb. The young man was believed to be one of four who arrived in a jeep. The other three sped away in the jeep as the explosion occurred.—Reuter.

Masked Robbers
 For two nights in succession robbers have resorted to masks to avoid identification.

Last night, shortly after 7 o'clock, four masked men, two armed with revolvers and one with a dagger, gained entrance to the third floor of 233 Reclamation Street, Yaumatei.

After gagging and binding the three inmates, they ransacked the premises and decamped with \$44 in cash, a gold ring worth \$50, some clothing, and a sewing machine.

The Government, preparing for all eventualities, is now examining possibilities of savings that would be afforded by slashing hard currency imports if Congress does not approve the aid plan.

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HOME AGAIN
 London, Jan. 20. The former Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, sporting a sun-picked complexion and nine new oil paintings, arrived home today from a six-week vacation in North Africa.

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Britain Nearing Danger Point

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 A high British Government source warned today that Britain's gold and dollar reserves would reach a "danger level" by July, "Tremendous inroads" into the living standard will have to be made if aid under the Marshall plan has not arrived.

The dollar and gold drain is still "indefinitely dangerous" despite the efforts of the last months to curb hard currency expenditure.

The gap has been narrowed but "unless we can take steps to curtail further inroads into our gold and dollar reserves a most serious situation is likely to develop."

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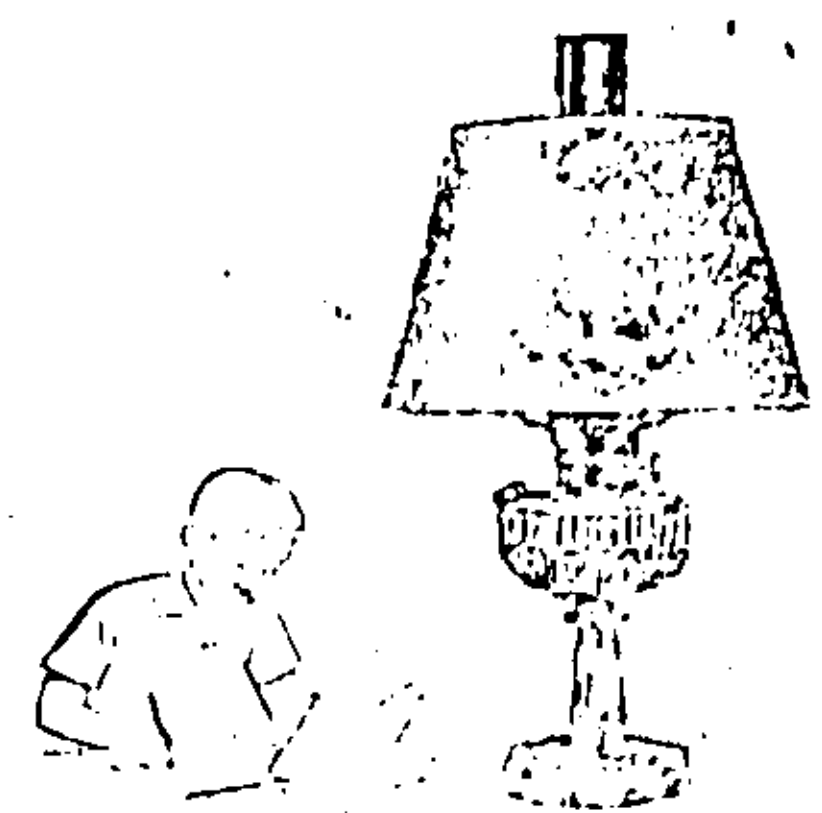
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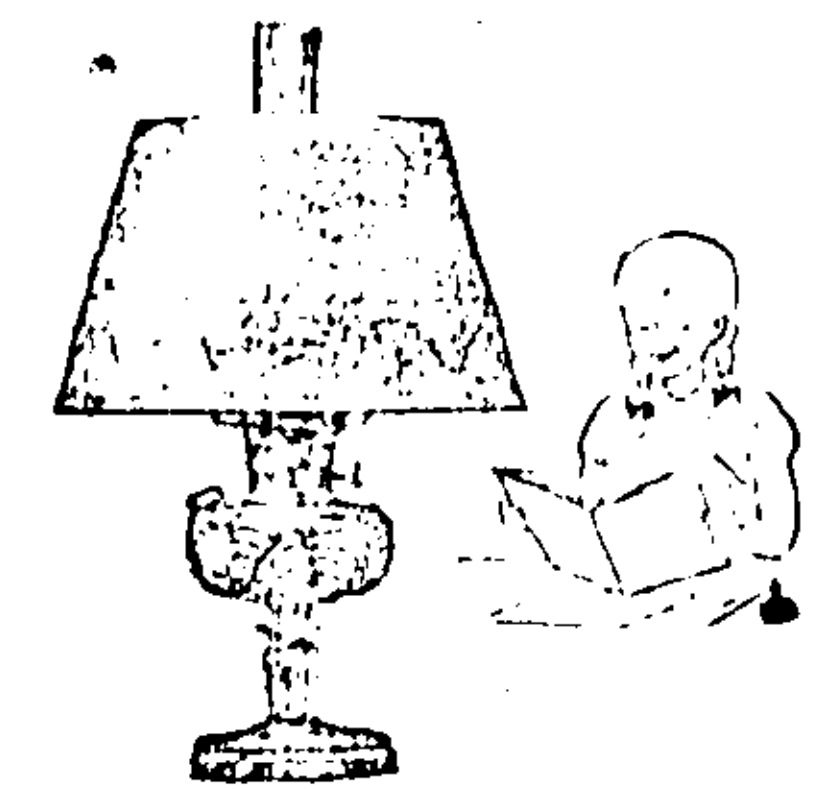
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1948.

Saturday, 24th January.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 noon, each day. The interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

Through numbers for the fourth day, Saturday, 24th January (11 races \$22-) may be obtained at the office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 per day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits etc. Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are order in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tip men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

BY ORDER,
S. A. SKEAR,
Asst. Secretary.

GRAPHIC MASSACRE STORIES HONG KONG VOLUNTEERS TELL OF MURDER OF THEIR COMRADES BY JAPANESE

Man's Head Trampled Beyond Recognition

Graphic stories by members of the H.K.V.D.C. of the massacre of their comrades after they had been taken prisoner were told at No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday on the second day of the trial of Lt. Gen. Ito Takeo, who commanded the troops landing on the island in December, 1941.

Evidence was also given by a survivor of the slaughter of British and Canadian soldiers, after their surrender, on the lawn at Eucliffe, Repulse Bay.

F. R. Zimmer, stock broker, said that he was a Lance Corporal in No. 3 M.G. Coy., H.K.V.D.C. He was stationed with a platoon under Captain Holmes, first at North Point and later at Jardine's Look-out. There were about 20 in the platoon and among those he remembered were T. Madar, T. Lock and Hung.

On Dec. 18 they were attacked by Japanese in overwhelming numbers and suffered casualties. They were forced to retreat to Stanley Gap, then Coy. H. Q.

They were soon attacked by Japanese from North Point. Others with him then were Pte. Dickenson, Pte. Madar, Pte. Chung (who gave evidence yesterday) and Pte. Mackenzie.

After a while more Japanese came over from Jardine's Look-out to Stanley Gap. The battle lasted a few hours and in the afternoon of Dec. 19 the Japanese took the position.

"Vented Their Ire"

Witnesses and others were in the quartermaster's hut when they surrendered. Some Japanese came into the hut and told them to line up outside in rows. A member of the platoon, who was later killed, understood a little Japanese and they understood this through him. They were lined in three rows and the Japanese "vented their ire" on them. They were told by a Japanese who spoke English poorly that they had inflicted heavy casualties on them and that they would have to pay.

They were told to strip and throw into a pile their belongings, watches and greatcoats. The Japanese then got angry, heavy casualties on them and trampled others to death. There were about 10 Japanese and they slapped the men, pushing them over and bayoneting them. Among them were Mackenzie, Gosling and a Canadian soldier. Private Lim was thrown down and his head stepped upon by the Japanese until he was killed. He actually saw this.

Gosling and Mackenzie were left there after the bayoneting and were there the next day. They were dead.

Later they were all led to the Coy. dining room where a number of other prisoners had been assembled. These had been taken at Jardine's Look-out. They were about 150. There was no place to lie down. The hut was hit by a direct hit and some 30 were killed.

Next morning the prisoners were tied together in groups of nine and taken to North Point. There were now about 10 men, 30 had been killed and about 20 wounded.

Accompanying them were Lt. Field, Q.M.S. Fincher, Sgt. White, of his company, and some Winnipeg Grenadiers.

They were taken over the Gap, round the reservoir and landed in front of the Talkoo Sugar refinery.

In reply to Major Ormsby witness said that they were in uniform when they surrendered. Some of the prisoners were tied with wire.

Cross-examined, witness said that all arms had been put in the store, about five yards from the hut.

Pte. Lim was on his left and he saw several Japanese jump on his head. They were all kneeling down and Pte. Lim was pushed from behind. Witness said that he was with Pte. Chung, who was behind him. He did not see Pte. Lim being stabbed but saw him being trodden upon. He saw a lot of blood and Pte. Lim's head was so badly stamped upon that it was hardly a head.

When they were taken out the next day Pte. Lim's body was still there.

The Japanese to whom they were surrendered were apparently infantry. Some wore brown boots, others had black cloth shoes with rubber soles.

Henry Rosswold, Dutch merchant residing at Gloucester Hotel, said that on Dec. 7, 1941 he was living at Repulse Bay and in the A.R.P. with six or seven others. On Dec. 19 they found themselves surrounded by Japanese coming from Eucliffe. There was fighting for three days till Dec. 22 and in the evening a Canadian officer ordered the surrender of the hotel. The troops in the hotel had left before in three batches.

Surrendered

On Dec. 23 a few Japanese came from the back of the hotel and as witness spoke a few words of Japanese he went forward and surrendered the hotel. There were about 10 Japanese, all armed with rifles. These Japanese apparently did not know what to do and returned to the garage about 100 yards away.

He had told the Japanese that there were no troops in the hotel but only civilians. After the Japanese had left, eight Indian soldiers came from upstairs. Fearing trouble he ordered the Indians to take off their equipment and uniform and get out, which they did.

When the Japanese came back they ordered all equipment to be put in a heap.

The same afternoon or early next morning all were told to line-up outside and were taken to Eucliffe, about 150 yards away. There a high-ranking officer, whom he later knew to be General Tanaka, gave a speech in which he said the Japanese made no difference between military and civilian personnel and that all would be shot. This was translated through an interpreter.

On Dec. 24 they were all taken past Eucliffe to Wongneichong Gap, along Blue Pool Road to North Point.

All along the road he saw bodies, many of whom had their hands tied behind their backs and who had been shot. There were British, Canadians and Naval Volunteers. Some of the bodies were scattered and others in groups.

E. C. Fincher

C.S.M. E. C. Fincher, No. 3 M.G. Coy., H.K.V.D.C. said that on Dec. 19 he and a number of men of his company

Workman Crushed By Marina House Lift

A 28-year-old mason, Au Ming, engaged on some brickwork near a lift shaft on one of the upper floors of Marina House, was crushed to death by a lift yesterday morning.

The man was working a lift which was not yet functioning. He was so engrossed in his work that he did not know he had entered into the path of the adjoining lift which was operating.

As a result, when the lift shot up, Au Ming was crushed.

surrendered at Wongneichong Gap. An officer and a soldier said to them that they had killed too many Japanese. They were lined up. The officer rushed at some of the men behind him. What happened he did not know. The officer went through his pockets and made no attempt to stop the soldier. They were threatened by the officer.

Later they were taken away and as he passed he saw the bodies of three men of his company. They were those of Lim, Gosling and Mackenzie. Gosling and Mackenzie were huddled up on the ground in a pool of blood. They had been three or four rows behind him.

Witness said that they were taken to a small Army mess hut. In the evening a Japanese officer came and medical supplies were asked for but none were forthcoming. Next day there was a direct hit on the hut, causing some 20 to 30 casualties. A further request for medical supplies was made, but none were given. The wounded were bound with towels and shirts. Later they were told to assemble outside and were taken away. Two or three wounded were taken away and the rest left behind. Among the wounded taken away was Lt. Field of No. 3 M.G. Coy.

Cross-examined, witness said that he was together with Zimmer and Chung. Lim was behind him. He did not see how Lim was killed.

Cpl. Wynward

J. Wynward, L/Cpl. No. 3 Coy., H.K.V.D.C., said that he was off Stanley Gap on Dec. 19 and with him were Mogra, Anderson, Fincher, Mackenzie, Young and Zimmer, of his company. When their position was hopeless they retreated into the block house.

In the afternoon they were asked to come out by the Japanese and to line up in rows. They were made to kneel, surrounded by Japanese waving rifles and swords.

Gosling, Mackenzie and Young were roughly handled by the Japanese. Mackenzie was hit, and Gosling hit over the head. He did not know what happened to Young but re-

proceed to Repulse Bay Hotel. They were ambushed before reaching their objective and subsequent took refuge in a gardeners' outhouse at Eucliffe.

Through the window at day-break, they saw that the Japanese were in complete control of the house and appeared to be using it as headquarters. It was impossible to escape during daytime, so they decided to wait until nightfall.

Beaten Up

Later in the morning, the Japanese started grenading all the vacant rooms and locked outhouses and very soon the door of their outhouse was broken down and they were taken prisoners. After being stripped of all arms and equipment, they were beaten up badly by the Japanese, who used their rifles butts.

After being tied with their hands behind their backs, they were taken away to the beach.

As they proceeded, the Japanese bayoneted them in the legs, making them jump over the bayonets.

They were taken to a grass bank just outside Eucliffe. They knew they were going to be shot because on top of the bank there were pools of blood and at the bottom, near the sea, were dozens of dead bodies. It was evident that they had been shot on top of the bank and had fallen down.

After being made to sit down, a firing squad was brought from the house and in a few minutes they were all shot.

Owing to the fact that he turned his head to the left as he was being fired at, the bullet passed through his neck above the left shoulder and came out at his right cheek. He did not lose consciousness and the force of the bullet hitting him knocked him free from the others and he rolled down the bank. He then lay on a concrete path with his hands tied behind his back and the bodies of three Canadians rolled down on top of him.

After the firing party had gone back into the house, he broke free and made for the beach towards Deep Water Bay. He then met up with his own troops and eventually arrived in Queen Mary Hospital, two days after the surrender.

Mrs. Ward

The last witness yesterday was Mrs. B. Ward, who said that she lived in Repulse Bay Hotel in December, 1941. She first saw the Japanese on Dec. 22 or 23, and the inmates of the hotel surrendered on Dec. 23.

At 8.30 a.m. that day all residents were taken downstairs to Eucliffe. They were later taken back to the hotel. There were many Japanese with rifles and fixed bayonets. While in the dining room she heard shots and looked out towards Eucliffe. She saw some British soldiers kneeling down on a path. She again heard a shot and saw them falling sideways. There were Japanese behind them two feet away.

On Dec. 24 all British were taken away. She was a neutral and was left alone. On Dec. 27 a number of British soldiers came back to burn the bodies of their comrades. The Japanese kicked the bodies into the sea. Hearing will be continued this morning at 10 a.m.

Courtesy Committee report.

The BOAC spokesman added that the relevant paragraph says that discussions are now proceeding with BOAC on the basis that, providing final trials of the aircraft are successful, a certificate of airworthiness is granted, this aircraft, suitably modified regarding seating accommodation will be brought into service as may best fit in with the programme of development of the Corporation's services.

The aircraft will be purchased by the Corporation and no special subsidy will be paid outside the provisions of the Civil Aviation Act of 1946.

In fact, they are already conferring as to the best means of giving effect to the wishes contained in paragraph 4 of the Government's observation on the

Sold Brandy To POWs.

"Friendly Fred" Tajima Tamaki, one of 17 alleged Japanese war criminals of Hainan FOW Camp now on trial for crimes against 263 Australians and 237 Dutchmen, some 150 of atrocities, had another tag on him—"bootlegger."

This was revealed yesterday at the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court when Lieut. C. McCutcheon, former prisoner, gave further evidence when he was recalled by the four-man tribunal.

Tajima, a chief petty officer, also known as "Hateful Harry," sold brandy on a blackmarket scale. The Australian POWs bought large quantities from defendant, but the Dutch were not good customers. This, said witness led to cruel treatment by Tajima of the Dutch prisoners.

On one occasion Dutch Camp Adjutant Jacques was struck by Tajima for refusing to sign the pay-sheet without being paid.

Proceedings were adjourned indefinitely.

Personalia

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—I.B. Alling, A. Wenneberg, D. G. Wilson, J.H.L. Turner, Miss F. E. Dodson and Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Beattie.

Peninsula departures:—R. W. Landis, Mr. and Mrs. Hallegott, H. Wild, W. R. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. de Curton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Goff and Mrs. G. E. Baughman.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Charles René Rossetti, Advertising Manager, Queen's and Alhambra Theatres, to Miss Socorro Maria Castro, 9 Broom Rd., has been announced.

Letters From Readers Hate v. Hate

Sir,—I have lately noticed that the many articles published in the local English newspapers convey nothing but ruthless attacks on the Chinese. If patriotism prevails in the mind of every Briton, I think it does in that of every Chinese as well. I can only say that "hate invites hate" and the attacks which bring no benefit to either nation, are sure to sow the dangerous seeds of never-ending mutual animosity. Let us stop the fight! Let us continue to further any attacks directed at each other, and may God tie us together.

AN HONEST CHINESE.

The United States Department of State has furnished the U.S. Consulate-General with a list of major trade fairs and industry exhibitions to be held in the United States from January to November 1948. Those interested are requested to apply to the Consulate-General for particulars.

Reminders

Today

"Brains Trust" at European YMCA, West Lounge, 8.30 p.m.

Photographic Society Annual Meeting and Dinner, Cafe Wiseman, 7 p.m.

Games Morning, European YMCA (Women's Section), 10 a.m.

Children's Sub-committee meeting, Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club, Chung Tin Bldg.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

H.K. Benevolent Society meeting, Mezzanine floor, H.K. Bank, 5 p.m.

H.K. Automobile Association meeting, SCM Post Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Y'a Men's Luncheon (Free Discussion) Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

SATURDAY

Royal Naval Yard Canten Buffet Dance, St. John's Ambulance Brigade Halls, Tai Hang Road, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Boys Scouts Association Bazaar, Murray Parade Ground, 2.30 p.m.

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Jimmy decided to obey, although he still wasn't quite sure if this really was his master. Alone at last Jimmy, clutching the keys, hurried to the Old Tree hoping to be able to rescue Toddlers before Black Roger the Raven and Jimmy Jackdaw found they had been tricked.



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Picker-Up Of Bricks Gaoled

Stone walls might "not a prison make" but 28 bricks did where 27-year-old unemployed Lee Cheung was concerned.

Lee, according to Inspector J. Orem, was seen by PC 1379 Chan Ping-ki coming out of a rooming house at Granville Road at 3.50 p.m. on Jan. 19. He was carrying some bricks which he put into a rattan carrier preparatory to taking them to a "house".

When defendant saw the constable he made a dash for it. But he did not get away. Lee was arrested after a short chase, and appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday charged with the unlawful possession of 28 bricks.

He told the Magistrate that he "just picked them up." Mr. Latimer put the picker-up down for two months' stay in Stanley with hard labour.

The bricks, valued at 70 cents a piece, were ordered to be confiscated to the Police.

An Old Shanghai Custom?

After waiting for a few trams that would not stop at his request, Mr. Yan-chi, a Shanghai Chinese, placed a lump of rock on the tracks.

In court yesterday before Mr. J.C. Conklin, Mr. Yan-chi denied the charge and stated that someone else had put the rock upon the tracks. He was accused because he boarded the tram against the wish of the driver.

Remarking that he disbelieved the story, Mr. Conklin said he regretted that it was not within his power to impose a heavier sentence and sentenced defendant to the maximum fine of \$10.

Inspector Brownrigg prosecuted.

Imports Way Up

The Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department reports that imports of merchandise into the Colony of Hong Kong during the month of December, 1947 amounted to a declared value of \$176,935,439 as compared with \$113,435,479 in the month of December, 1946.

The figures include Government sponsored cargoes.

Exports of merchandise totalled a declared value of \$125,079,584 as compared with \$72,435,558.

Imports during the year 1947 amounted to a declared value of \$1,549,931,481 as compared with \$933,474,552 in the year 1946.

Exports totalled \$1,216,833,624 as compared with \$765,634,950.

RECEIVER CHARGED

HE HAD A PENCHANT FOR SILK BLOUSES AND SCARVES NOT GUILTY OF BURGLARY

The theft of a quantity of silk blouses and scarves from a shop at 143 Kweilin Street, had a sequel at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when Chan Tim alias Chu Tak-on was found guilty by a jury on a charge of receiving stolen property.

He was sentenced by Mr. Justice T.J. Gould (Puisne Judge), to four years' hard labour. Accused was found not guilty on a charge of burglary.

Chan, who had previously pleaded guilty to a charge of returning from banishment, was sentenced to four years' hard labour on this charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

Mr. A. J. Clifford, assisted by S.I. Roberts, conducted the case for the prosecution.

In his opening, Mr. Clifford said that on the night of Dec. 2/3 1947, the door of the shop was locked by the cook, Li Wong, in the presence of the manager at about 11.30 p.m.

One of the folks woke up at about 4.15 a.m. and found a suitcase missing. A further check revealed many other articles missing. The front door was found open.

Acting on information, the police proceeded to 164 Apila Street. They found the middle cubicle locked. Two Chinese detectives were placed on the premises.

At about 9.45 a.m. there was a knock at the door and accused staggered in, carrying a basket filled with stolen property. He was told by the detectives that they were making enquiries into a case of shop-breaking.

In reply, he said that his friend, Chun Hung, who occupied the middle cubicle, had asked him to bring the basket up to the flat and had promised him a reward.

Inside the middle cubicle, more of the stolen property was discovered.

Leung Chun, who occupied a bed-space in the passage-way of 164 Apila Street would say that he was awakened at about 4 a.m. on Dec. 3, by someone calling out for Chan Hung.

Inspector Brownrigg said that defendant was in the public enclosure at the Court and was seen taking \$20 from a handbag.

Also appearing before Mr. Conklin was Chau Hung, 23, charged with loitering at the Race Course and being unable to explain his presence.

A further charge of being in possession of an instrument for an unlawful purpose, a razor blade with a cardboard handle, was preferred.

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Questions, Please!

Questions for Friday's Brain Trust" competed by Donald McCullough (BBC Brains Trust" master) are invited by ZBW and should reach the station not later than Friday morning. They should be addressed to the Programme Secretary, ZBW, Post Office Box 200.

"Imported" Gold Bars

Falling to answer a charge of importing gold bars into the colony, Hau Leung, married woman had her bail of \$25 granted by Mr. J.C. Conklin at Central yesterday.

R.O. Redman, prosecuting, informed the Magistrate that the case concerned two gold bars of five tins each, worth approximately \$3,000.

The gold was found on defendant on board the s.s. Kwong Sai on Monday and in view of the absence of defendant he asked for an order for confiscation. This was granted.

Gold Bars Confiscated

When Revenue Officers passed open the work of a travelling case left behind at Kai Tak on Jan. 6 they found two gold bars, weighing about 13 tins, concealed in a secret compartment.

As nobody came forward to claim this \$3,000 worth of gold during the legal period of 14 days, Revenue Officer L.G. Millington yesterday applied to Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr for the necessary confiscation order. This was granted.

Food For Britain

Another 700 gift food parcels were shipped to Britain yesterday on one of H.M. Ships while 1,000 additional parcels are now stored in Kowloon Godowns awaiting free transportation.

The following cable has been received by the Ladies Committee of the Anglo-Chinese Economic Association from the W.V.S. Headquarters referring to the first two shipments of gift food:—"Both Gambia and Manxman consignments arrived safely now being distributed throughout England, Scotland and Wales. Very Many Thanks."

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Car To Be Taken Off Road

A dilapidated private car (No. 7508) was ordered to be taken off the road, and its owner-driver fined \$375, by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Prosecuting Wong Cheuk-yung, 34, on the charges of careless driving, driving without a valid licence, without efficient brakes and driving a car not in good order and condition, Traffic Sub-Inspector R. Bell said defendant was in possession of a learner-driver's licence which had expired 10 days ago.

Accused was reversing his car in Temple Street near Public Square Street when he drove into a PWD sign on the road. He was seen by a constable who asked him for his licence.

As he was unable to produce a driver's licence he was brought to the Police Station.

A subsequent test of his car, continued TSI Bell, revealed that the brakes were inefficient and that the mechanism of the vehicle were very bad. The car itself was in a very bad condition and not fit for the road.

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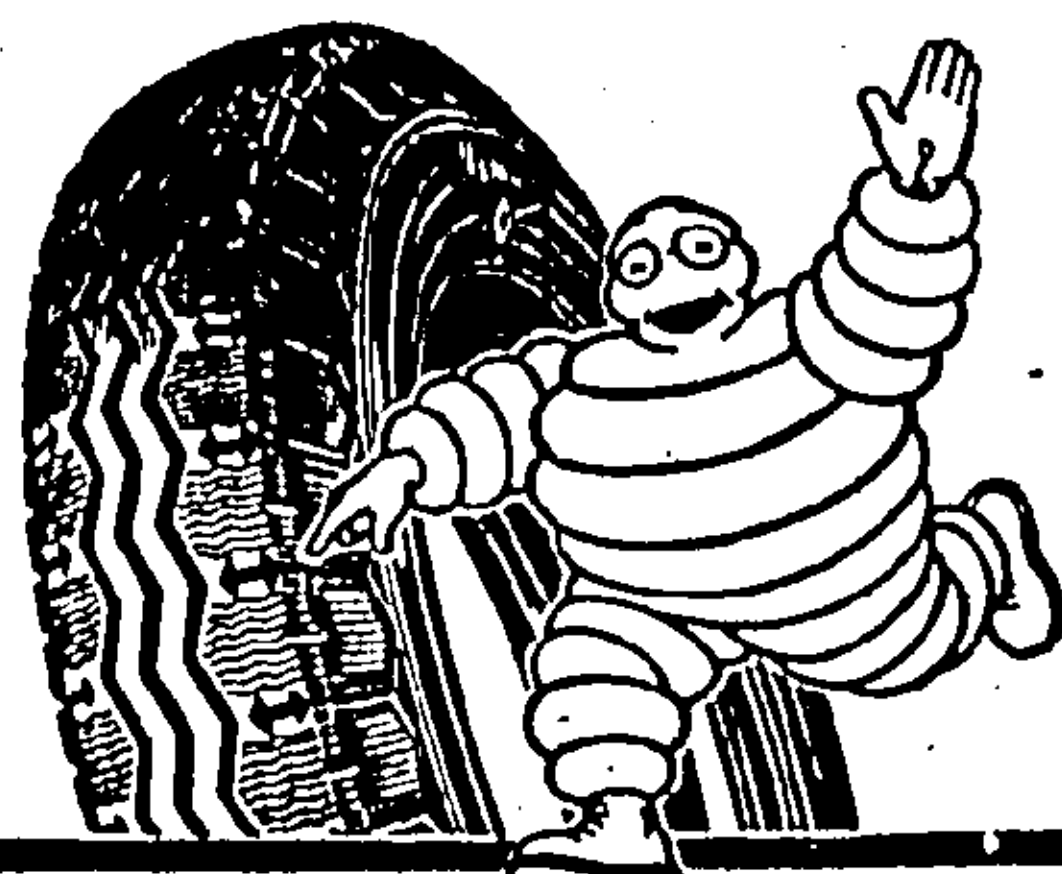
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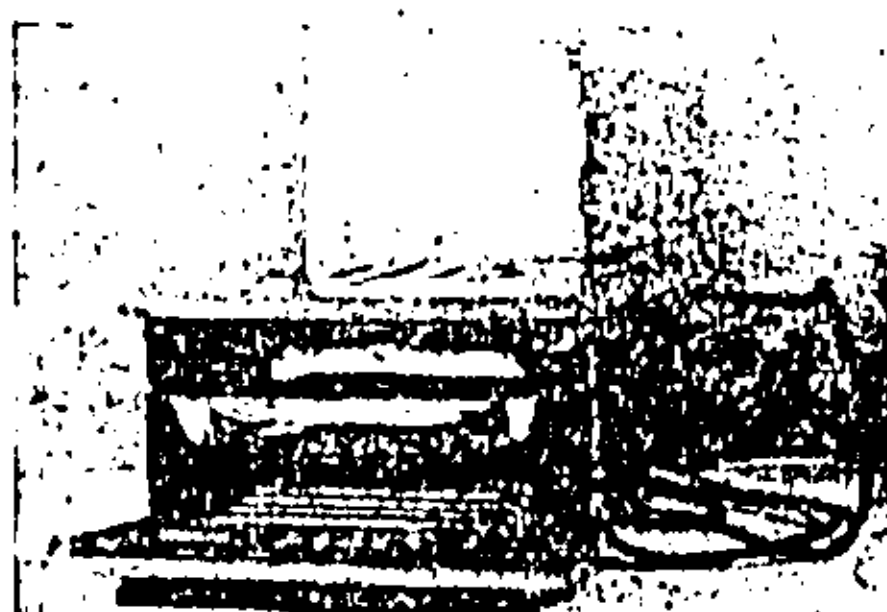
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News Blackout Protest

Shanghai, Jan. 20.

Over a dozen reporters representing an equal number of Chinese newspapers, yesterday lodged a strong protest with the Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Shi-chieh, against an alleged news blackout on the part of the Ministry according to Chinese reporters.

The same reporters recently sent a note to the Ministry containing a similar complaint.—Reuters.

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Grave Shortage Of Food

Washington, Jan. 19.

The State Department and the United States Army are giving "urgent" consideration to a message from Mr. Bevin, Foreign Secretary, to Mr. George Marshall, Secretary of State, emphasising the grave situation developing in Germany as a result of the food shortage, the State Department announced today.

The spokesman declared: "The United States Government are fully aware of the food shortages in Germany and have the entire matter under review."

He blamed the situation largely on the failure to fulfil expectations in the collection of grain and other supplies from German farmers.

It was understood from authoritative sources that Britain was urging the United States to increase food shipments to Germany over and above the supplies already allocated.

American officials claimed that all allocations so far this year had been fulfilled and shipments were up to date.

The Risk

The British officials contended that these must be increased if the grave situation is to be met. The real danger to this, however, is that it would involve American officials once more entering the grain market—they are fulfilling present allocations from purchases already made—and running the risk of causing a serious new increase in the price of wheat.

While this would have serious domestic effects, it would also throw further out of balance the German food purchasing budget, and in the end probably mean more funds having to be appropriated or reductions made in other purchases.

The only alternative, however, was considered to be a diversion of supplies originally intended for other European areas—especially Italy and France.

Students Clash In Cairo

CAIRO, JAN. 19.—EGYPTIAN STUDENTS AND POLICE CLASHED IN CAIRO TODAY WHEN STUDENTS IN BOTH CAIRO AND ALEXANDRIA STOPPED WORK AND DEMONSTRATED AGAINST THE TREATY WHICH GIVES THE SUDAN TO THE BRITISH.

The clashes occurred when students of El-Fard Azzam University tried to break through a strong police cordon and march through the town, demanding the abolition of the pact.

The entire University district in Cairo has been under virtual police siege for several weeks.

The police in Cairo and Alexandria cordoned off universities and secondary schools in both cities when the students struck to mark the 40th anniversary of the signing in 1908 of the Sudan Condominium Convention.

Under the 1909 Condominium agreement between Britain and Egypt, Article 11 of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty of 1936, the Sudan is administered by a Governor-General on the joint behalf of Britain and Egypt.

BRITISH MISSION TO BRAZIL

London, Jan. 20.

Britain has agreed with the Brazilian Government to send a mission to Rio de Janeiro to discuss financial and economic matters of mutual interest, a foreign office spokesman said tonight.

The mission, which will probably leave on Feb. 7, will include representatives of the Treasury and the Board of Trade.—Reuter.

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Foreign Concerns In Burma

RANGOON, JAN. 19.—THERE IS NO LIKELIHOOD OF THE IMMEDIATE NATIONALISATION OF ANY FOREIGN OWNED COMMERCIAL CONCERN OPERATING IN BURMA. A high Burmese Government official said that according to the Government's policy, nationalisation would be carried out by gradual stages.

The Burmese Government had no definite plans to take over foreign concerns, he added.

A Burmese Commerce and Transport Ministry spokesman today described as "premature" reports that carried by Reuters which claimed that the Burmese Government had decided to nationalise the British-owned, privately owned, Pudu Company, operating Burma's extensive river transport service.

The spokesman said: "The scheme itself is a thing new. The nationalisation of river transport was one of the projects contemplated by the Government months ago."—Reuter.

Sentence On Officers

Moscow, Jan. 20.

Colonel Copescu, former commanding officer of the Rumanian Fourth Regiment in Arad, Western Rumania, was sentenced to hard labour for life by a military court trying a group of military men from Arad charged with plotting against the State. Tass the Soviet official news agency, reported today.

Colonel Copescu was alleged to be the chief instigator of the plot.

Major-General Getseu was sentenced to nine years imprisonment and a fine of 20,000 he on a charge of illegally keeping a store of arms.—Reuter.

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(FROM SHANGHAI)**Franc To Be Devalued?**

London, Jan. 20.

Informed sources today said that France and Britain had agreed to the devaluation of the French franc at the rate of 220 or 250 to the dollar, but that the pound would remain at its present value of about four dollars.

Sources said the devalued French currency would be known as "export" francs. They said the said the step was necessary because buyers in America, Argentina and Canada were refusing to buy French goods at the present value.

The present rate is 119 francs per dollar.—United Press.

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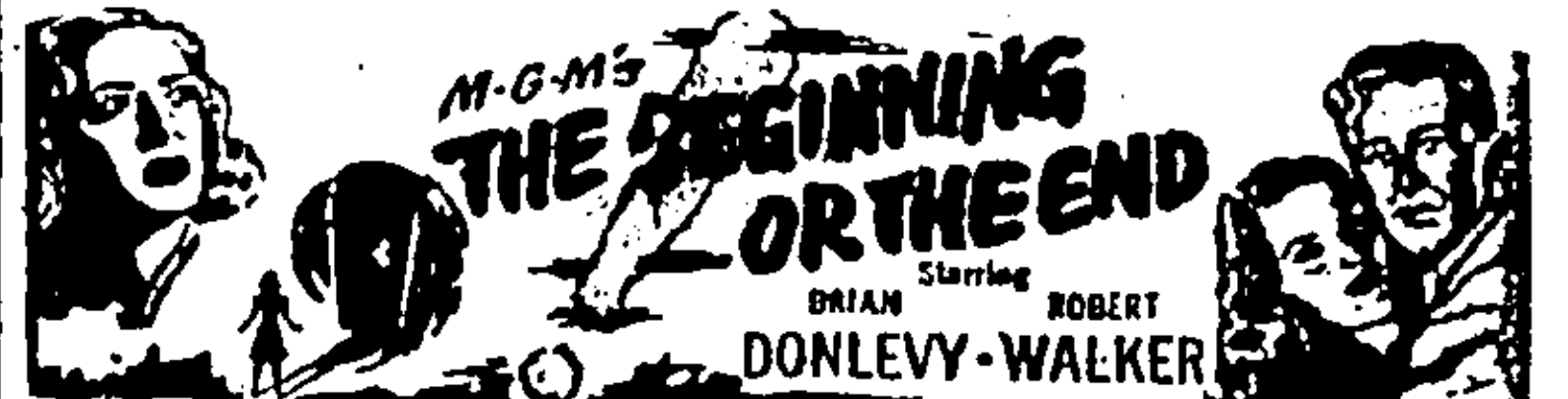
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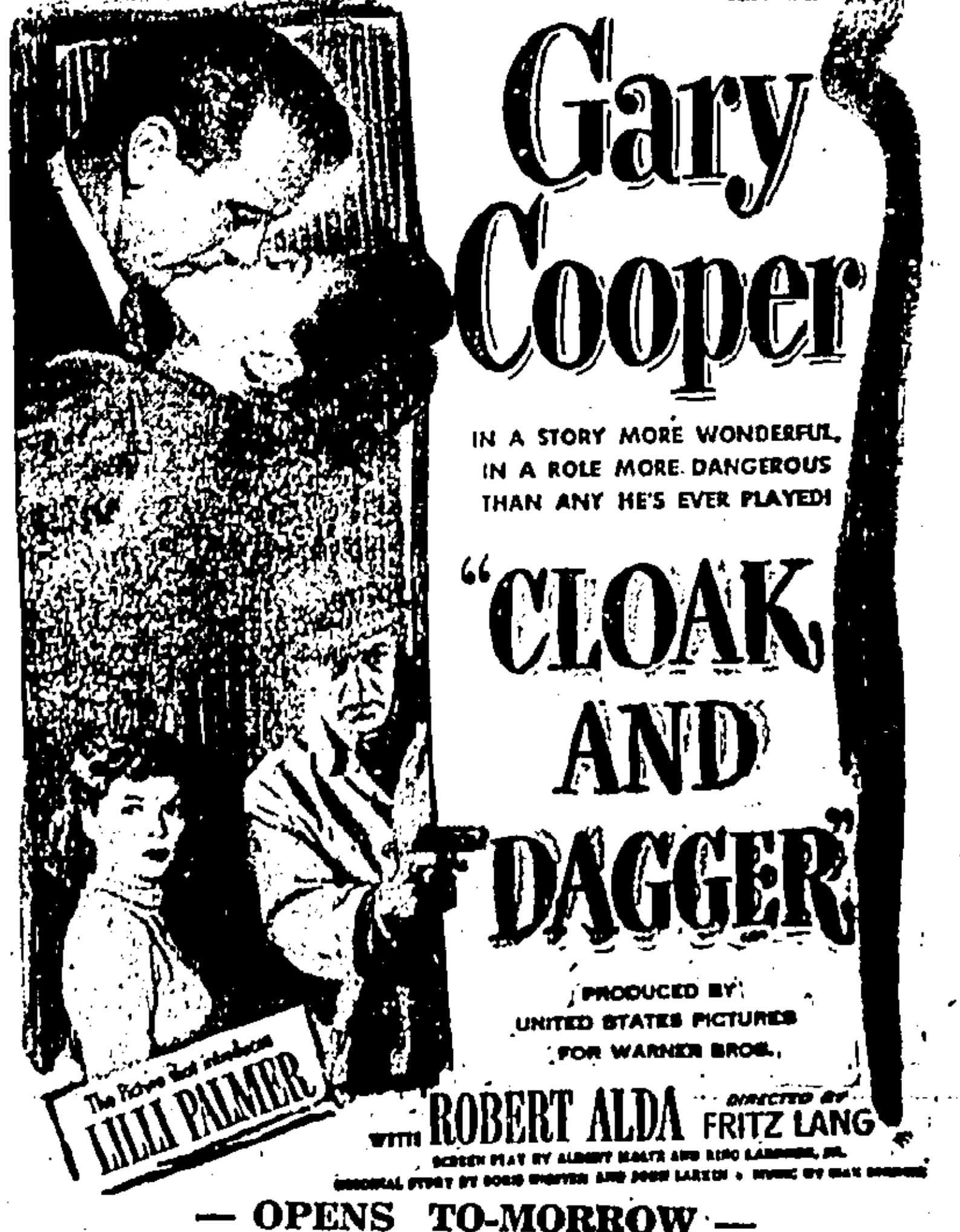
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THE CASE OF MR. KENNEDY-SKIPTON

To the majority of people in Hong Kong, the information conveyed in the article in this page concerning Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton, revealing that he is about to appear before a Government-appointed tribunal to face charges alleging disloyalty following the surrender in December 1941, will come as a complete surprise.

The article is published, without prejudice, although it clearly tells the story of Mr. Kennedy-Skipton's side of whatever story lies behind the accusations, because (primarily) of the rejection of the request of his legal advisers that the hearings should be conducted in public. It can be urged, of course, that this is an administrative matter, that no criminal charges have been laid against Mr. Kennedy-Skipton and that there is no reason, therefore, which should properly persuade the Government to bring the issue into the open.

The Government, too, can urge that there is no precedent for conducting such an enquiry publicly, and that it is a matter which concerns but two parties, the officer concerned and the Government.

Against that, it may be contended that there is nothing in General Orders which lays it down clearly, beyond possibility of doubt, whether such an enquiry should be held in public or in camera. Further, that past precedents must, almost inevitably, have developed from the consideration that, generally, the person involved must have welcomed the shelter of a hearing behind closed doors.

In this case, however, the officer concerned has requested, through his legal advisers, a public hearing.

Bearing in mind all the circumstances, his immediate suspension by the Secretary of State on his escape from Hong Kong into China, and the failure of the Government to make provision for an investigation (the Committee of the Executive Council) until now, five years after the event—those two things, coupled with allegations of prejudice and the inevitable building up of a sense of grievance over the lapse of years—would seem to justify Mr. Kennedy-Skipton's request that the hearing be conducted under those conditions which, in his opinion, are in his own best interests.

The bitterness of war, of surrender, of collaborationist charges, support him. Least of all the charges which should be held over a man in secret inquiry is one of disloyalty. If it is his own expressed wish to have the issue fought out in public, it is a concession (if not an absolute right) to which, we think, he should be entitled.

Looking For The Facts

Washington, Jan. 20.—The House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities, continuing its investigation of the activities of Communists, today sent invitations to prominent lawyers, jurists and authorities on world affairs to lend a hand in studying legislative steps.

A sub-committee which starts hearings on Feb. 5 has asked the assistance of such persons as Owen Roberts, former Supreme Court Justice; Sumner Welles, former Under-Secretary of State and Attorney Donald Ritchberg and Morris Ernst.

Chairman Nixon, California Republican, told reporters that probably not all of them will be able to testify in person and some may send statements. — Associated Press.

CZECH DENIAL

Prague, Jan. 20.—M. Fierlinger, former Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia, and former Chairman of the Social Democratic Party, today denied he was leaving for Budapest for talks with Hungarian Social Democratic Party leaders.

He said he had received an invitation to go to Budapest but had replied that "he was not considering making the journey at present." — Reuter.

Don Iddon's Diary

Nineteen-forty-eight's first crop of kesses is apparently not for American checks.

Poked for embrace, the U.S. has been distressed to hear that its chosen fiancée is saying unkind things both behind its back and before its face.

During recent days Americans have been told that one out of every three British people is anti-American, that there is growing antagonism toward the U.S., that we are envious, resentful, and jealous of American power and wealth, and that one of our pastimes is sneering and gibing at Washington, Wall Street, and points west.

Men who have passed on the wounding information are leading members of the American Press corps in London. They are trained observers and journalists of high reputation and cannot be accused of malicious gossip aimed at breaking up a happy romance and perfect match.

We cannot ignore them or wave away their findings as biased or baloney. They're on record here, and the record has been read by millions who see no reason not to believe it.

I shunt it back to you so that you might know what your closest friends and partners are reading about what you think of them.

There is no better way of starting a New Year than facing up to unpleasantness and tackling it.

The charge is quite simple—that Britain is becoming increasingly anti-American. It calls for a reply.

Wallace's Campaign

Altogether it has been a brutal week. Along with alleged squalls and squawks from Britain has come some of the worst weather in the century, making life for millions miserable.

Tempests have raged. We have had sleet, freezing rain, howling winds, floods, and gales.

We have also had fires, frozen pipes, snapped electric and telephone wires, jammed manholes, impassable roads, paralysed railways, swamped under-grounds, and burst boilers.

All of this came on top of last week's record-breaking, heart-breaking snowfall. For

100 Years Ago

(From the files of the "China Mail")

The whole policy of both Sir Henry Pottinger and Sir John Davis as far as relates to Hong Kong has been a succession of blunders throughout, and as government are in fault they should be at the expense of applying the remedy—why should the Colony not be relieved from Land Rents for two years and in the meantime have them equitably assessed so that it may be known at the end of the first year what they shall actually be when the public enquire?

This is less unreasonable than at first appears. Before the Parliamentary Committee in 1847, Lieutenant Colonel Maleson, in answer to a remark of Lord Sandon "that the Salaries and Establishment appeared high," stated:—

"They were purposely made high that the officials should maintain themselves like gentlemen and live respectably as they would be constantly brought into communication with the Chinese and Chinese Authorities, upon all of whom outward appearance has a great effect."

If this is not like obtaining money on false pretences, the additional expense for the purpose stated should not fall upon the Colony.

We fear all that can be said on the subject, however, will be unattended with success so long as it appears to be the interest of the most important Houses and to our well-paid officials to keep matters as they are, and to borrow a passage from one of Hone's parodies, as long as Earl Grey upholds the commandant:—

"Thou shalt not say, to rob the people is to steal!"

About 10 p.m., a seaman of the "Cornwall," when intoxicated, was enticed up the hill in rear of Hollywood Road, and after being beaten was robbed of \$250.

PICTURE OF THE AMERICAN SCENE

All companies plan a less sordid output, less murder, torture, drinking and violence, if only because the censors won't stand for them.

These stars rate mention: British-born Boris Karloff will star in Priestley's "The Linden Tree" to open here next month.

Charlie Chaplin now says he doesn't want to leave America and is trying to explain away that letter to London damning Hollywood.

The comedian is under a new and savage attack by a score of columnists.

Olivin de Havilland, also British-born, says: "I've been beautiful, slenderised, emotionalised, and vitalised, but if I left Hollywood tomorrow penniless I'd still count myself a lucky person."

The Motion Picture Research Society announces that it will award Bing Crosby and Ronald Russell special certificates for a happy home life, as neither has ever been divorced. What you have to do to win medals these days!

Incidentally, Bing was named the most unco-operative male star by the Women's Press Club of Los Angeles, which is plain silly and untrue.

The film city is worried about Lassi's contract—she barked at Louis B. Mayer the other day.

New Humphrey Bogart and Edward G. Robinson are arguing about billing and the size of type their names should be in. Robinson says he should share equal publicity with Bogart, but Humphrey wants his wife, Lauren Bacall, in that place. Better leave it to the United Nations.

Marriage Bond

Peter Lawford has a new contract under which he agrees not to marry for three years, which will make Hollywood's hearts ache. The young Englishman has a fun following almost as large as Sinatra's.

Personal congratulations to good friend and now knight Michael Balcan. Thanks for your cable.

Daily Mail's Noel Monks has just written a new children's book which Disney should film. They say in Hollywood that nothing helps a girl there like being easy on the eyes.

Frank Kingdom says the difference between relief and recovery is the difference between the breadline and the lifeline.

What we need this year is fewer resolutions and more resolution.

MARINES RENDEZVOUS AT MALTA

Valetta, Jan. 20.—The United States attack transports "Bexar and Montague" carrying 1,000 Marines with full battle equipment rendezvoused in Maltese waters with the aircraft carrier Midway and the cruisers Providence and Little Rock.

The transfer of men and equipment to the warships was expected to begin today.—United Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

"THE AUTHORITY ON AUTHORITIES"

DEDUCE HIS REASON

Your partner must be presumed to have a brain, hence to have some kind of reason for what he does. If you base your own planning upon that premise, you can often figure out why he made a particular move and therefore how you can help him to gain fullest value from it. Failure to do that has the same effect as if you two defenders were merely sniping at the declarer from different directions, without any cooperation between you. In brief, you are then co-operating with the declarer instead of with your partner.

S. A J 8
H. K Q 9 6
D. K 10 3
C. 9 8 2

S. 10 7 6
H. 8 7 5 4 3
D. A
C. A 10 6 5

S. K Q 9 5 4 3
H. J 2
D. J 7 4
C. 7 3

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

North East South West
1 H Pass 1 S 2 D
2 NT Pass 1 S

Many rubber players would have chanced 4-Spades in the North after South's rebid, but every pair in the social duplicate was sound enough to quit at 3-Spades, which some made and some didn't.

"It was made where the play went thus: the club K and J won the Q was ruffed by South; three spades were cashed and then tricks were lost to the two red aces. It was also made at another table where West's

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Well, there's your cost! And I'm giving you a break—I'll only charge my regular fee instead of the union plasterer's scale!"

Regarding the article appended, we might put in the protective clause, that it does not necessarily represent the opinions of this journal. It tells one side of

The Strange Case Of Mr. Kennedy-Skipton

At the surrender in 1941, Mr. G.S. Kennedy-Skipton, at the time one of the Colony's senior local cadet officers, was not interned because he was Irish. He was then living at his home on the Peak with a number of refugees, families, mostly Americans.

The Japanese officials who shrouded up the Peak population appeared to be impressed by the number of women and children, including two invalids, in the party—several of the refugees have testified to this—and told them they could stay where they were if members of the party would volunteer for civic work. In response to this offer, he and another man, an American missionary from Canton, stated they were willing to do

"educational or social or any other constructive work."

No objection has ever been raised to the action of Mr. Kennedy-Skipton's American colleague in so doing.

It is to be noted that there was no question of Mr. Kennedy-Skipton being guided by outside advice as to party was mentioned on the Peak, being forbidden to go on the roads, and he himself, like most civil servants, had received no prior orders as to what to do in the event of surrender.

Just before the war, Mr. Kennedy-Skipton was officially engaged in endeavouring to increase the local food supply by organising the use of the city's night-soil for fertilizer in the New Territories, and these preparations were already far advanced when the war came.

Food Shortage

For that reason, according to his own story, when offering to do civic work, he drew the attention of the Japanese to the food shortage and stated he was willing and able to carry on his fertilizer work. They approved and gave him facilities and an office for working on his plans and putting them up to the authorities.

To quote Mr. Kennedy-Skipton: "After a time their interest cooled and the control of agriculture and the sale of nightsoil were handed over to concessionaires, who were not interested in constructive schemes involving capital outlay."

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton then organised his escape in January 1943.

A year later, the Japanese changed their attitude about agriculture and arranged for the transport of nightsoil and the construction of storage tanks at Castle Peak exactly as Mr. Kennedy-Skipton had proposed. These tanks supplied manure for vegetable growing through the worst years of the occupation and today they are still in use.

Mr. Kennedy-Skipton is now being accused by the Government of disloyalty. The hearing of his case is to start on Thursday next, and Mr. Kennedy-Skipton has requested that the hearing shall be public. His request has been refused. The delay in bringing this case seems inexplicable, no other previous charge having been brought against Mr. Kennedy-Skipton.

Curious Feature

A curious feature of the case is that the charges are based, even to the extent of quoting his own words, on Mr. Kennedy-Skipton's action in reporting to the Secretary of State under the names of the Japanese, "a local scandal" which involved the former Government of Hong Kong. Using his liberty Mr. Kennedy-Skipton says he discovered in March, 1942, that many of the secret files of the Hong Kong Government, had been left intact in the stronghold of the Colonial Secretariat.

He reported this to the Secretary of State in July 1942 by a signed letter hidden in a tin of powdered milk and carried out by an American friend who was being repatriated. To make the letter more credible, he stated his own position, and indicated that such trivial services as he had performed for the Japanese were necessary to gain their consent for his agricultural proposals. He assumed, of course, that the Secretary of State would give an officer of his standing the credit of acting with judgment.

Mr. now Sir Franklin Gimson, then Colonial Secretary, now Governor of Singapore, is to be, it is understood, the principal witness against Mr. Kennedy-Skipton.

Whatever the rights or wrongs of the case, it is obvious that questions of great interest to the public are involved in this enquiry. Such being the case, the refusal of a public hearing can only be described as sinister and deserving of the strongest possible public protest.

Tomorrow's Problem

S. 10 5 2
H. 10 6 4 3
D. 9 5 2
C. K 5 4

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H. A K Q
D. 8
C. Q 10 8 7

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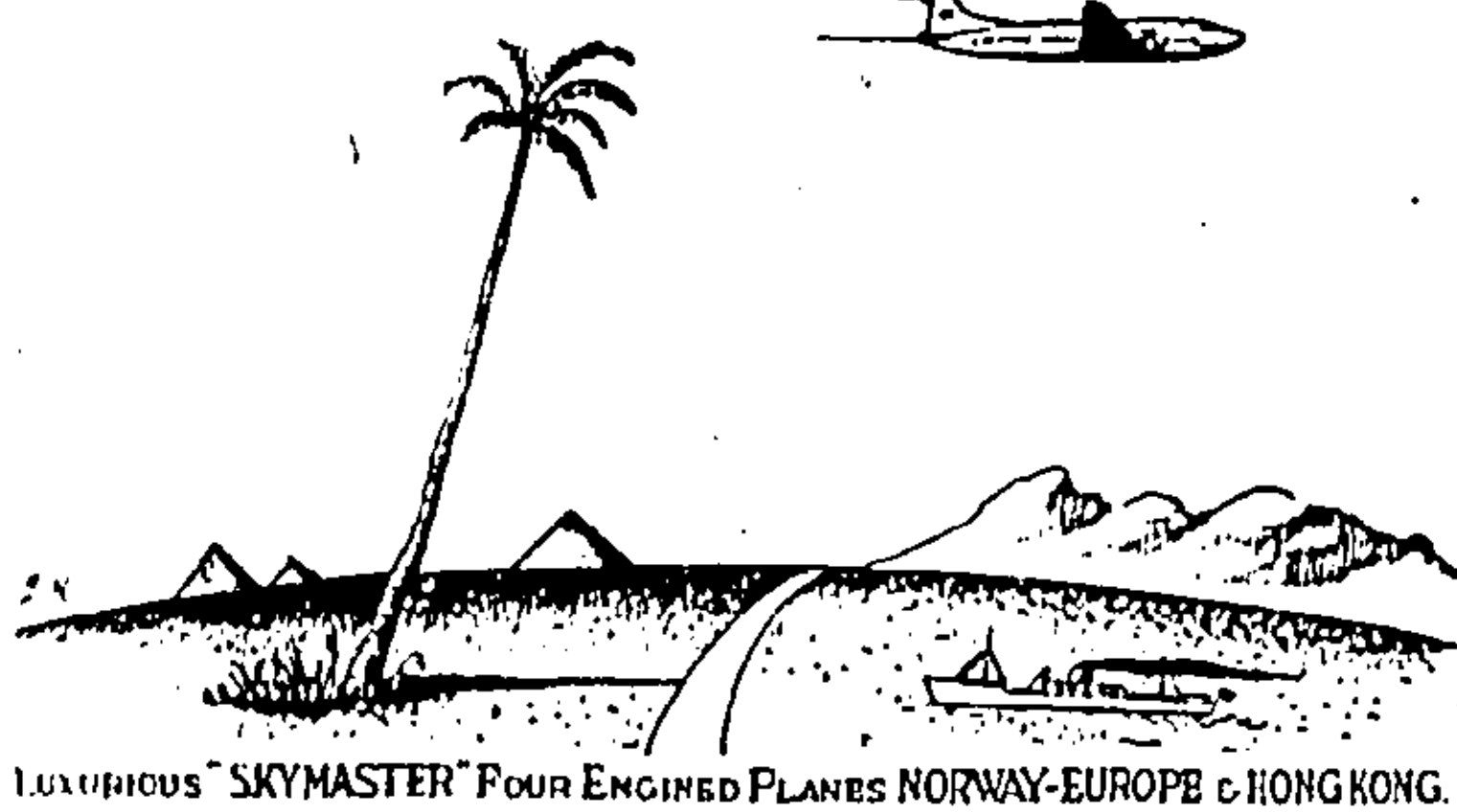
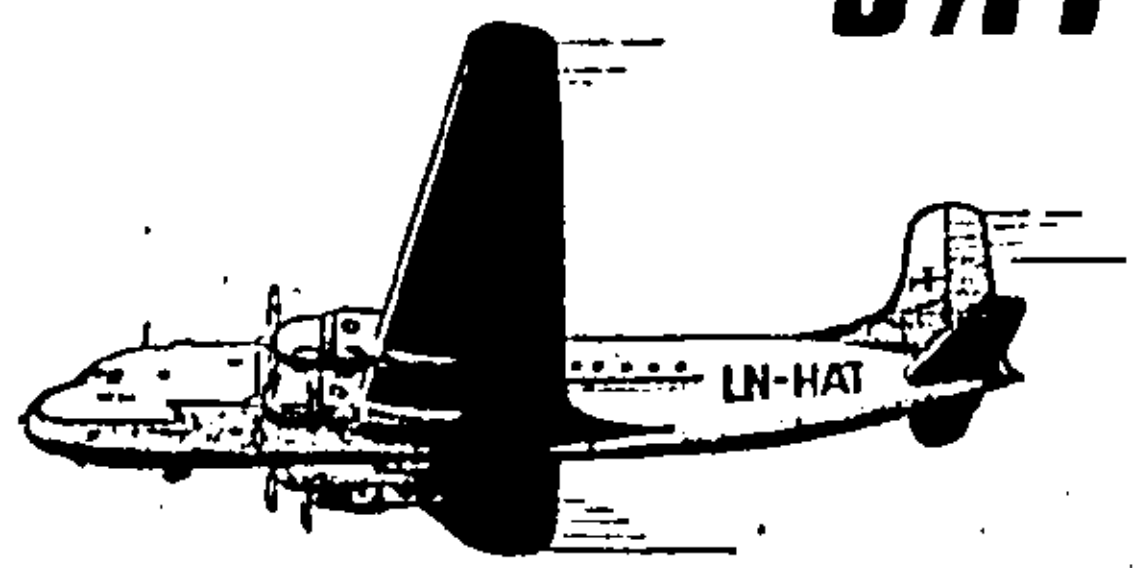
(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

If West leads the heart K, Q and A, how should South play for 4-Spades?

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Four-Point Proposal Made To Bao Dai

Viet Nam Wants British Model

Paris, Jan. 19.

A four-point proposal for peace in Indo-China was submitted by the French High Commissioner, M. Emile Bollaert, to the ex-Emperor of Annam, Bao Dai, in Geneva early this month, Dang Chan Lieu, an official Viet Nam spokesman in Paris, told Reuter today.

The proposal was: 1.—Independence and unity for Viet Nam within the French Union.

2.—Vietnamese police and infantry to be fully Viet Nam, but all other arms (Air Force, Navy, etc.) to be officered by Frenchmen.

3.—The Vietnamese Government to appoint consults themselves, but Government Ministers and Ambassadors to be approved by the French Government.

4.—France will require that a democratic regime be set up in Viet Nam.

Free State

Referring to the first point, the Viet Nam spokesman said: "It all depends on what implications will be involved by the words 'independence and unity' and to what extent the French Union will limit national sovereignty and independence in the context of Viet Nam's foreign affairs."

The second proposal restricted Viet Nam leadership in the armed forces: "Was retrogressive to the treaty of March 6, 1946," the spokesman declared. "This treaty recognised Viet Nam as a free state with its own Parliament, Treasury and Army. Diplomacy and unity were to be discussed at a later date. Subsequent conferences broke down, and fighting finally broke out between the Viet Nam and France on Dec. 19, 1946."

British Model

Stressing that Viet Nam would like to be "freely associated with the French Union," the spokesman said: "Viet Nam wants the same diplomatic status as a British dominion within the British Commonwealth."

Commenting on the French demand for "a democratic regime in Viet Nam," the spokesman said: "This is an attempt to interfere with our internal affairs." He said that Viet Nam had to balance both Eastern and Western civilisation and that it would be impossible to adopt definitely either one or the other.

"Ten per cent of our population is Christian," he explained. "And the rest is mainly composed of believers in Confucianism and Buddhism. Thus we must make allowances for both Eastern and Western ways of life."

On the whole, official Viet Nam circles in Paris were optimistic about the outcome of the Bao Dai-Bollaert conversations.

Out Of Favour

The spokesman said they stressed that France refused to negotiate with Dr. Ho Chi Minh, the leader of Viet Nam resistance, favouring Bao Dai.

Bao Dai's past record had lost him nearly all his support in Viet Nam after his collaboration with the Vichy Government and Japanese puppet Governments and his subsequent abdication "was opportunistic," the spokesman continued. "Indeed," he declared, "his whole past attitude shows a lack of consistency and a strong sense of opportunism."

Bao Dai is still the "supreme political adviser" of the Ho Chi Minh National Government, but Dang Chan Lieu said that his present tactics were not meeting with the approval of Dr. Ho Chi Minh himself.—Reuter.

U.S. And Asiatic Immigration

Washington, Jan. 20.

Representative Walter Judd (Republican, Minnesota) today introduced a bill which would repeal racial restrictions in naturalization and make immigration quotas available to Asiatic and Pacific peoples.

This bill must be referred to the Committee for consideration and favourable or unfavourable action before it is taken up by the full House body.

If the House should approve the Bill, Senate passage and the Presidential signature also would be necessary before it can become law.—United Press.

Deposed Premier Tells His Story

Bangkok, Jan. 19.

Dhanrong Nawasawat, the former Siamese Premier, told the Bangkok Post in an interview today that the coup d'etat of Nov. 9 was carried through despite his assurance that he would resign on Nov. 11.

He also declared that General Adul Dejarat, the former Army Commander-in-Chief, had previously agreed to form a new Government. This was arranged, he said, at a dinner party with Marshal Pibul Songkram, who assured him at the time that there would be no coup.

The ex-Premier said the coup had set back five diplomatic issues on which his Government was conducting negotiations. These were:

- 1.—The Indo-Chinese border affair.
 - 2.—Nullification of the formal agreement with Britain.
 - 3.—Siam's gold in Japan.
 - 4.—Foreign loan negotiations.
 - 5.—Japanese assets in Siam.
- Refusing to comment on the present political situation, the ex-Premier said he was writing a book to be published after his death.

Little is known of the whereabouts of Dhanrong Nawasawat, who has been reported in various places since he fled on the night of Marshal Songkram's coup.

Early in December, he was supposed to be in Penang, but the most recent reports indicated that he was now somewhere in Bangkok, though not in his own house, which had been searched.—Reuter.

R.A.F. Planes Fired On

London, Jan. 20.

Egypt has agreed to enquire into recent incidents at El Arish, on the Sinai Peninsula, when Egyptian Spitfires fired on two RAF aircraft, a Foreign Office spokesman stated tonight.

It is now freely admitted at the Foreign Office that the aircraft were flying over an area which had been restricted by the Egyptian Government because anti-aircraft practice was taking place.

The view in London is that the Egyptian Government was fully within its rights in objecting to the inadvertent presence of the British planes over the target area, but it is maintained in official quarters here that the measures taken were out of proportion to the scale of the offence.—Reuter.



Fifteen persons were killed and 32 wounded, when a bomb attack was made on the Damascus Gate (the Arab entrance to the old city of Jerusalem). Photo shows an angry Arab crowd attempting to overturn a Jewish Taxi which they set afire after the attack on the bus. In background is seen part of the old wall of the ancient city of Jerusalem. (AP Photo).

Pacific Defence Discussions

Washington, Jan. 19.

The Australian Minister of Defence and Reconstruction (Mr. John Dedman) said at a press conference today that he hoped for a meeting with the United States Defence Secretary (Mr. James Forrestal) for further discussions on the defence of Australia and the Pacific in general.

Mr. Dedman said: "We have proposals for pericardial discussions on staff level, but they not yet been activated. "We cooperate very closely with New Zealand and if discussions took place New Zealand would probably be associated."

He said Australia was spending \$250,000,000 over five years on defence, of which a large part was for research. Asked about Australia's V-weapons proving grounds, Mr. Dedman replied: "No approach so far has been made to Australia for the United States to share in expenditures or send observers, but if a request came it would receive very careful consideration from the Australian Government. "Any arrangement would have to be part of an overall reciprocal plan to get the benefit of research work in the United States."

On standardization of tactical and staff work, as well as weapons, Mr. Dedman said: "Discussions are proceeding with Britain. Whatever Britain does we shall do in this respect."—United Press.

BUS OVERTURNS

Newport, Jan. 19.

A fully-laden Cardiff Corporation double decker bus skidded on an icy road, crashed into a wall and overturned near here today.

Nineteen of the 40 passengers were detained in hospital with injuries. They included an expectant mother.

The trapped passengers were released by passing motorists who took the injured to hospital.—Reuter.

Gandhi Statue For U.S.?

NEW YORK, JAN. 19.

CONGRESSMAN EMANUEL CELLER WILL SHORTLY INTRODUCE A BILL IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO ERECT A MONUMENT TO MR. GANDHI IN WASHINGTON.

The United States Government will not be asked to defray the cost of such a monument.

Congressman Celler has been assured by Mr. J. Singh, President of the India League of America, that the India League will not only raise the necessary funds but will also help the passage of the bill.

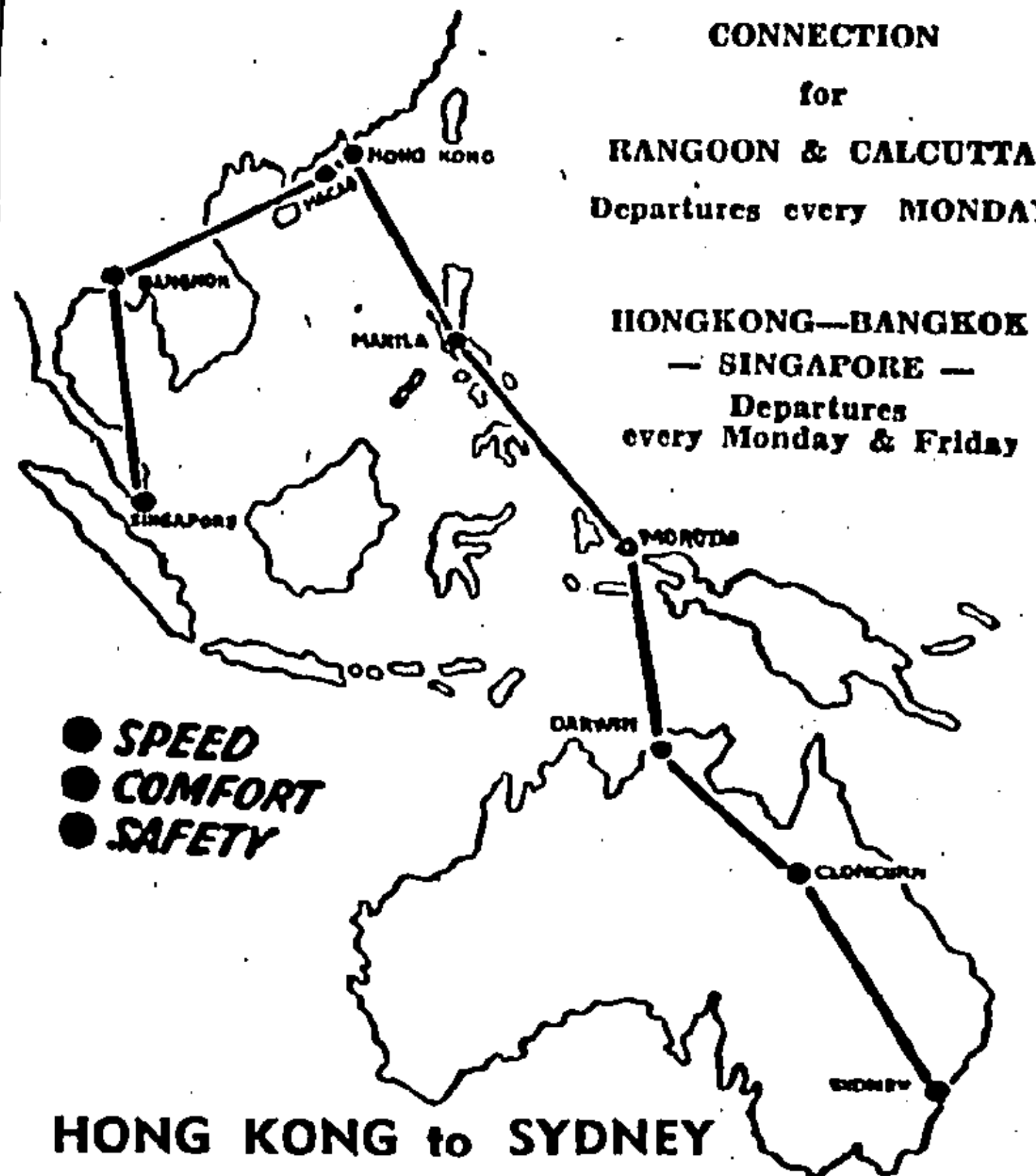
Congressman Celler introduced the India Immigration and Naturalization Bill, which was passed by Congress in 1946. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the India League.—Reuter.

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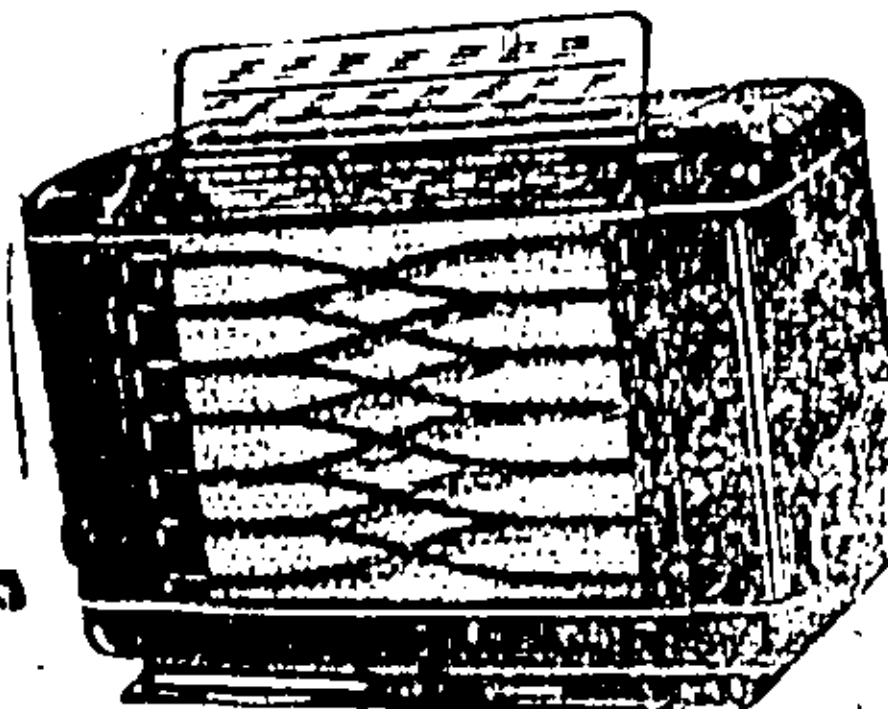
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GUARANTEE AGAINST WAR?

Baruch Plan For Union Of Europe

Mutual Promises Of Support

Washington, Jan. 19.

The British Empire should be allowed to retain her system of preferential tariffs intact for another three years, Mr. Bernard Baruch, the leading American "Elder" statesman, said today. He coupled this suggestion with a proposal that European nations band together in an economic and political union with the eventual aim of lowering tariffs between themselves and the outside world.

Each nation in this union should mutually guarantee support of the other in the event of aggression while the United States should give a similar guarantee—"and by guarantee I mean a firm promise to go to war if any of them are attacked," he declared.

Testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the Marshall Plan, Mr. Baruch said: "Any economic aid which the United States gives will be inadequate without a common readiness of the Europeans to stand up and fight for their independence and freedom."

"Given such determination, the United States should pledge itself to come to the defence of these uniting nations in case of aggression."

"Let us not shy from stating now what we intend to do before any would-be warmaker has yielded to the temptation of aggression," he declared.

Best Guarantee

The United Nations Charter provided for such regional pacts of assistance, he said, and he urged that such a mutual defence agreement should be concluded under this framework.

"It is our best guarantee against a third war," he said. "Other nations, I am sure, will join us in this mutual defence pact and I hope in time, Russia will also."

Answering a question on whether the United States should ask for bases and airfields in Europe in return for aid, Mr. Baruch replied: "In my personal opinion—yes."

"We should get bases through negotiation as part of the mutual advantage."

Empire Tariffs

Mr. Baruch, architect of the United States plan for the international control of atomic energy and adviser to American Presidents in two wars, gave the Senate Committee a radical scheme for world recovery and American economic stabilisation.

Strongly supporting the Marshall Plan, he recommended that all pre-war and wartime debts, built up in the United States by countries participating in the European recovery programme, should be settled promptly and "realistically."

He proposed a similar settlement for Britain's sterling debts with Egypt, India and other countries and said the British Empire should be allowed to retain her system of preferential tariffs intact for another three years.

Mr. Baruch said the United States should establish a "General Staff for Peace" which would launch a production drive across America, exceeding wartime proportions and meanwhile stabilise the economy by cutting down food prices, banking enterprises and maintaining the present taxation levels for another two years.

War Materials

Mr. Baruch, who holds no Government position and spoke as an independent witness before the Committee, asserted that the United States should become a market for the productive labour of all peoples for the next five years as part of the "Work For Peace" drive and said that this promise of an assured market would so stimulate output that Europe's financial needs would be greatly and quickly reduced.

Mr. Baruch said that he was not disturbed at the prospects of America accumulating large stocks of strategic war materials which would be stored against the future needs of the United States.

But, he added, "to avoid any misunderstanding of the extent of this plan, other nations should be permitted to make these purchases on the same basis as the United States."

Mr. Baruch said European Governments should repay in dollars any American loans from private parties before nationalising any industry in which private American capital was invested, but added: "This does not restrict in any way the right of Europeans to socialise any or all their industries."

Help Europe

His suggestion was to prevent a repudiation of the debts entered into in good faith by American and European businessmen, he declared.

Mr. Baruch recommended the European nations to organise the productive resources of the continent but regulate the Ruhr resources with priorities and international control to protect the peaceful interests of Germany's neighbours.

He expressed the opinion that the United States could extend help abroad "without wrecking ourselves."

It should be a full measure of help under an organised programme to promote world peace, he said, adding: "If we are to undertake a European recovery programme, let us do it well."

"Doing it well involves far more than merely appropriating money, however many billions. It means organising the job soundly and administering it skillfully."

Currencies

"It also means that each of us—not just the Treasury—must contribute what is required in moderation, self-restraint and, if necessary, sacrifice, so as to be sure to see it through."

Commenting that large expenditures abroad were certain to have their effect on home economy, Mr. Baruch said farmers should be willing to agree to a "major cut in the present agricultural prices in exchange for a guarantee of being able to sell all their crops at a price set for the next three years."

Mr. Baruch said the European countries should put their currencies on "realistic" rates of exchange, while the United States should "stand ready to buy all non-perishable raw materials produced anywhere and by anyone in the world for the next five years and which cannot find normal commercial markets."—Reuter.

Paris, Jan. 19.

Dr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, who is now touring Europe, to choose a site for the next General Assembly, this afternoon visited M. Vincent Auriol, the President of the Republic, at his residence in Elysée Palace.—Reuter.



Buddhist priests (who came from Burma for the occasion) are seen bowing to the flag of the republic of Burma after it had been raised at the New Delhi residence of the first Burmese Ambassador to India, U Win, on Jan. 4. Standing in front of chairs at right (reading from front to back) are Lord and Lady Brabourne, Countess Mountbatten, her husband, Earl Mountbatten, Governor General of India, and Lady Pamela Mountbatten. (Lady Brabourne and Lady Pamela are the daughters of Earl Mountbatten. This marked the opening of celebrations in New Delhi honouring the inauguration of Burma's independence. — (AP Photo.)

Border Incidents In Korea

Seoul, Jan. 20.

A high Army official said today that a number of border incidents at the 38th parallel, dividing the Soviet and American spheres, is causing concern to the American authorities.

ARAB BOYCOTT OF U.N.

Lake Success, Jan. 19. The United Nations Palestine Commission has received a reply from the Arab Higher Committee refusing to appear before the Commission.

The reply came from the Syrian delegation, who were acting as intermediaries between the Arab Higher Committee and the Palestine Commission, set up to supervise the partition.

The reply read: "The Arab Higher Committee is determined to persist in the rejection of partition and in refusal to recognise the United Nations resolution in this respect and anything deriving therefrom."

"For this reason, it is unable to accept the invitation to appear."—Reuter.

BELGRADE AND GREECE

Belgrade, Jan. 20. Each of Yugoslavia's six federated republics is to form a separate "Committee for aid to democratic Greece". It was officially announced today.

A central relief committee was established last week under trade union leadership. The first of the new committees was constituted in Serbia today with 13 executive members, most of them intellectuals.

The new committee sent a circular letter to Serbian districts with suggestions and instructions on collecting such aid as shoes, food, clothing and money.—Reuter.

SHIP DRAMA IN MID-ATLANTIC

Falmouth, Jan. 20. A ship steward today told how a seaman, James Hoyle of Philadelphia, was swept overboard by a huge wave in mid-Atlantic but was saved when another wave tossed him back aboard.

Hoyle was in hospital after he was brought ashore with a possible fractured pelvis.

His ship, the John Gibbon, crept into port under a list of 45 degrees, caused when a cargo of coal shifted under heavy pounding.—United Press.

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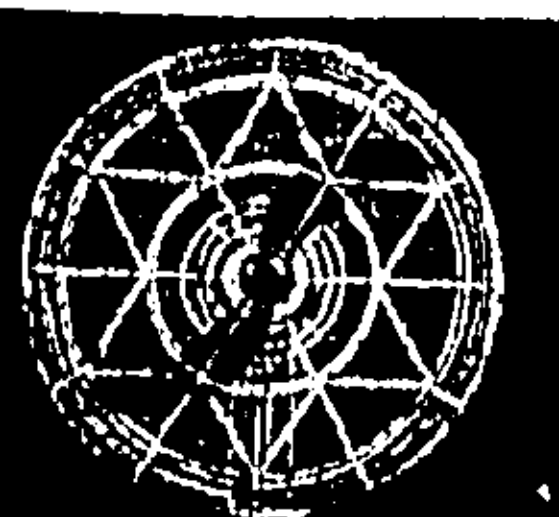
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JUNIOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Thrilling Games At Week-End

(By "Grandstand")

A battle between two league-leading squads is usually exciting, but a scrap between two basement outfits can prove to be equally thrilling, and never was it truer than last Saturday.

The youthful Rangers in their blue and gold had a full side out to climb out of the cold damp cellar at the expense of Les Castro's Cosmos, with a last inning 8-7 nose-out, when Cosmo wind-alley guardian literally threw the ball game away by heaving a wild one over third base to allow the winning run to gallop across the plate.

Cosmos drew first blood in this exciting tussle when Nona Lopez singled and carried the mail across on an out-field hoist. The Customers added a further trio of markers in the third but the Rangers fought back in their half of that inning and pushed two tallies across to slim the lead and knotted the count 4-4 in the next inning.

Cosmos took the lead again in the fifth with a lone marker but the lead changed hands in the home half of the chapter as the Rangers came through with a duo of runs. The advantage, however, was short-lived as two Cosmo runs trampled over the rubber on a hitting outburst.

The Rangers threatened in their half of the fifth by loading the sacks on a single and a pair of miscues with men away, but failed to click as Ian Stewart, "Boogie-wonogie" Rogie and Bob Stewart went down in order.

Thrills

Breathing a sigh of relief, Les Castro took his men out of the field for the seventh and last inning with the Rangers trailing behind 7-6. Cosmo were blanked and the Rangers came in for their turn with the willow with only two runs needed to snatch the verdict.

Balshaw Morrison singled and cornered home with the tying run as he for Heardon slashed out a triple to the deep centre, and when Cosmo short-stop Eddie Mason attempted to nail Heardon at third, not only was the throw wild, but vicious Ranger fans too went wild as the winning run crossed the plate on the wild leave, to end a thrilling ball game.

My advice to anyone with a weak ticket is to stay away from ball-parks and if you think the Rangers—Cosmos tussle was not exciting, check the following score by innings and you will see that the lead changed hands four times.

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Total
Cosmos 0 0 2 2 0 2 0 6
Rangers 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 24

The Braves had their skills well and truly greased as they continued on their downward slide with their third successive set-back on Saturday, this time being subdued by Ignar Erikson's Daredevils to the tune of 7-4.

Vic Pedruco starting for the Braves gave up a single in the first frame which, coupled to an error, saw the first Daredevil run cross the plate, followed by another in the next chapter. The Braves broke into the scoring column in the third inning as Red Loureiro was given a life on a fumble and dented the rubber on a timely single.

Homers

Both sides were held hitless and scoreless in the fourth, but in the fifth the Daredevils jumped on hurler Pedruco for six blows to stage a 5-run riot which was only stopped after Coach Billy Soares had his Tribe in a huddle for a pep-talk.

One warrior crossed over in the sixth and the Braves went into the seventh with a five-run deficit. The Braves tried hard in the last semester but the damage was done and the two tallies they produced in their last effort made no difference to the final outcome.

All Malig started for the victors to shut out the Braves for two innings, and as they were getting on to him, easy mentor Ignar Erikson yanked him in favour of frenemy Lichy Azvedo, who limited the opposition for three scattered singles for the remainder of the tilt. Corries on the slab for the Braves gave up eight blows of which six were bunched in that disastrous fifth.

The Braves under wily mentor Salu Samy seem to be headed for Pennantville and the "Ernie Hearther Trophy" when they noted out the United Nations 9-8 in a close tilt featured by homers off Samymer A.K. Ismail and A.M. Wahab while Unation hindsmatcher Anatoly Tiukavkin's perfect three-in-three included a four-master, Lanky moundman Fran Jeinberg for the Rees was not up to his usual farm and walked four without whiffing, nary a hit, while S.A. Bux for the losers fanned two and passed three.

Protest

Protest! That word has finally cropped up. Apparently the Josephians did not quite agree with home-umpire Olie Vas' decision on a close play around the keystone at a crucial stage of the game and a protest has been lodged with the league proxy secretary. This protest will be heard at the meeting of the General Committee of the Association on Monday, 22.4.48, and to save time all parties concerned should have their

opinions in writing. Should the protest be successful, the game will be re-played from the point at which the protest was raised and not all over again, as it is thought in some quarters.

The Blue Beetles were too good for Joe Franco's Wildfires and mentor Leo Favares managed his "Baratas" to rout the Wildfires 8-2.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

Men's "A" Division	W	L	Pts
Rangers	8	1	308
St. Joseph's	7	2	271
Madeiras	6	3	257
Castellanos	5	4	225
V. R. C.	4	5	229
Philippine	3	6	222
Police	2	7	213
Disabblers	2	7	212
South China	2	7	222
Hovers	0	9	000
Men's "B" Division	W	L	Pts
Rees	7	1	376
Daredevils	6	2	331
United Nations	4	4	303
Braves	4	4	303
Blue Beetles	4	4	303
Januars	4	4	303
Wildfires	3	5	273
Josephians	2	6	243
Hovers	1	6	143
Cosmos	0	6	000
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Rees	6	1	367
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Hovers	0	6	000

Army's Football League Games

Four more matches were played last week in the Army Inter-Unit League, the outstanding feature being the heavy scoring.

Bulls are still at the top of the league by virtue of their superior goal average, but it certainly looks already as though HQ Land Forces are going to put up very stern opposition, they were very fortunate in losing only two players when the LANCASHIRE sailed last Wednesday whereas the Bulls were hit very hard with the departure of six of their players.

B.M.H. 0 Buffs 4

Played at Happy Valley, this match was a farewell performance for several of the players. For the whole of the first half the Buffs were unfortunate in having only ten players on the field, and under the circumstances did very well to hold the Bulls as they did; even so they could not prevent the Bulls from scoring three times. After half-time, however, B.M.H. were strengthened by the appearance of their eleven players, and the remainder of the game was much more even. The Buffs were always just that little bit better and quicker on the ball and their fourth and final goal was scored midway through the second half. B.M.H. are to be congratulated on a very good showing against opposition which before the departure of the Lancashire, was probably the best in the League.

R.A. 2 R.E.M.E. 1

Once again a second division side almost caused a major upset. The game was played on the Gunners' home ground at Gun Club Hill and everything pointed to another heavy defeat for R.E.M.E. (they lost to Bulls 7-0 the previous week), but the R.E.M.E. team had other very definite views on the subject which were reflected in their play. The score stood at 1-1 until the very last few minutes, and it seemed almost certain that R.E.M.E. would at least share the points. But it was not to be, for just before the final whistle the Gunners were very fortunate indeed to be awarded a penalty and here was no mistake made from the pot kick. There was a certain amount of resentment about this penalty which is only natural in the heat of the moment when a draw seems a perfectly fair result, but R.E.M.E. can console themselves with the thought that Huddersfield Town once lost the F.A. Cup under exactly the same circumstances except that Preston's goal came at the end of extra time which must be even more tantalizing.

H.Q.L.F. 9 Signals 2

To have said that H.Q.L.F.'s victory over the Inniskills last week had inspired them would have been an understatement. When they started off against H.K. Signals on Wednesday at Happy Valley they were like eleven entirely different players, and it is very doubtful whether there is a team in the league who could have held them on their showing in the first half. But, the outside right, started the avalanche of goals after about ten minutes play when he scored with a very good cross shot. This was soon followed by a goal from Tollday, the centre-forward, and another, probably the best of the lot, from Wright at inside-left. Goals continued to come at fairly regular intervals until half-time. Tollday doing the hat-trick. Just before half-time, however, Dean, the Signals inside right, caught the HQ defence completely unawares when he sent a good, high shot from about twenty

BRITAIN PULLING OUT

Jerusalem, Jan. 19.
The first British civil servants to quit Palestine under the British plan for a gradual reduction in administrative strength, will leave for Britain by sea and air this week.

The first to go will be eight engineers and architects employed in the Public Works Department. Another 20 Government officials will leave next week and the other contingents in due course.—Reuter.

UNRRA Aid To Continue

Washington, Jan. 20.
Technical aid in farm development obtained by China and eight other countries last year through UNRRA funds will be continued through 1948, the Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations announced today. FAO said an additional US\$500,000 had been received from residual UNRRA funds. An agreement was reached last February by which countries wishing to continue the advisory service started by UNRRA could arrange to shift their UNRRA funds to FAO.

The statement added that a total of US\$35,000 was transferred last year to FAO for use in China, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Poland, Yugoslavia and Ethiopia.—Associated Press.

Manchester May Tour Argentina

London, Jan. 20.
Manuel Gonzales, of the Argentine Football Association, who is attempting to sign up British soccer referees to officiate in Argentine today, invited Manchester United to make a month's tour of Argentina during May.

Manchester United at present is the "team of the moment" in the First Division of the English Football League and also current favourites to win the Football Association Challenge Cup. Matt Busby, the Club's manager, said no definite decision has been reached on whether the offer will be accepted. If the Club decided to accept the invitation the team will travel both ways by airplane and play the first five matches against top Argentine clubs.—United Press.

Michael And Anne: It's Not Formal

ST. MORITZ, JAN. 20.
PRINCE RENE OF BOURBON-PARMA TODAY SAID THAT HIS DAUGHTER, PRINCESS ANNE, AND THE FORMER KING MICHAEL OF RUMANIA WERE INFORMALLY ENGAGED TO MARRY AND THAT MICHAEL WOULD MAKE THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT WITHIN ONE WEEK.

Arriving from Copenhagen, Prince Rene said he would go to Lausanne on Tuesday to see Michael and discuss plans for the announcement of the engagement. He added that he would propose that the wedding be in Copenhagen, where he makes his home, but that he would suggest no tentative date to Michael.

The Prince did not know when his wife, Princess Margrethe, and Princess Anne would come to Switzerland from Luxembourg, where they are visiting the Grand Duchess.—United Press.

Farmers' Big Claims

Melbourne, Jan. 20.
Wheat farmers in Australia have filed more than \$11,000,000 claims with insurance companies as the result of a freak series of summer storms which have brought floods and blizzards in some parts of the continent.

The claims filed were about three times the normal number for the summer season. The summer rainfall in December and January was the heaviest in 27 years.

Some residents in New South Wales accused Government scientists of causing an unreasonable wet spell by their recent dry ice bombing of the clouds in rain-making experiments. The authorities say some have gone so far as to accuse the experimenters of "witchcraft".—United Press.

TROUBLE IN COLOMBIA

Bogota, Jan. 20.
After six people had been killed and about 60 wounded in political disturbances, the Colombian Government today declared a state of siege in the department of Santander Norte, near the Venezuelan border.

Colombia, the northernmost country of South America, has a population of 8,700,000. The President is Dr. Mariano Perez, Conservative, elected in May 1946 for a four-year term.—Reuter.

ARMY ATHLETIC MEET TO-DAY

The Army are holding an athletics meeting this afternoon at the South China Track, Caroline Hill.

The main object of the meeting is to pick an Army team, but it is being run on competitive lines so that there will be serious competition between the four teams represented, namely:—
25 Field Regt, 2 Buffs, 1 Inniskilling, and The Minor Units.
It is very much hoped that a match between the Services and the Civilian will be possible in the very near future, and it is with this in view that the Army are eager to see just what talent lies in the Colony. An Army team, composed of men who are remaining in the Colony for three or more months is required, and this team will have to do some really serious training in order to give a good account of themselves in competition with a civilian team.

The programme for the Army meeting follows the usual pattern of track and field events, though—

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AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

ARRIVALS FROM

Poole via Bangkok Jan. 21, BOAC (Capt. Field).
 Singapore via Bangkok Jan. 21, Cathay Pacific, 12.30 p.m.

DEPARTURES TO

Shanghai: Daily, CNAC (DC4), 10.45 a.m.
 Jan. 21, HK Airways (Capt. Reburn), 3 p.m.

San Francisco (via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Okinawa, Manila):
 Jan. 22, Pan-American, 4.45 p.m.

San Francisco (via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila):
 Jan. 21, Pan-American, 12.45 p.m.

Canton: Daily, H.K. Airways, 10.50 a.m. and 5.20 p.m.

Poole via Bangkok: Jan. 21, BOAC (Capt. Easton), 8 a.m.

Shanghai: Jan. 22, Braithorns, 8 a.m.
 Singapore via Bangkok: Jan. 22, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

Calcutta: Jan. 21, Skyways (Capt. Nellan) 7.30 a.m.
 Manila: Jan. 21, Cathay Pacific, 2.30 p.m.

Shanghai: Daily, CNAC (DC4), 11.30 a.m.
 San Francisco (via Manila, Guam, Wake, Honolulu):

Jan. 22, Pan-American, 8 a.m.
 Jan. 24, Pan-American, 8 a.m.

San Francisco (via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila):
 Jan. 23, Pan-American, 10 a.m.

Canton: Daily, H.K. Airways, 8.30 a.m. and 3 p.m.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Jan. 20.

Bulls and bears led the stock market on its fifth consecutive Monday retreat with activity and breadth expanding as prices

Liquidation by professionals who had turned pessimistic provided the principal pressure.

There were 1,050,000 transfers. Among gains were: Fullerton Steel, 1/2; Wm. W. Brown, 1/2; International Nickel, 1/2; Trans-Continental, Western Air and Republic Aviation.

Losses included Union Pacific, Santa Fe, Illinois Central, Pacific Western Oil, Douglas Aircraft and American Woodmen.

Dow Jones averages—Stocks 63.08, 20 Industrials 175.05, 15 Rails 60.09, 10 Utilities 32.40.

Closing quotations:—Adams Express 14 1/2, Alaska Juneau 9 3/4, American Can 70, American Smelting 63 1/2, American Tobacco 68, 1/2.

Armstrong Cork 3 1/2, Automobile Corp. 4 1/2, Baldwin Locomotive 14 1/2, Barnhill 3 1/2, Benz Airplane 2 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 3 1/2, Boeing Aircraft 25, Borden 4 1/2, Canadian Pacific 11 1/2, J. I. Case 4 1/2, Chrysler 4 1/2, Colgate 4 1/2, Commercial Solvents 22 1/2, Corn Products 6 1/2, Dupont 17 1/2, Eastman Kodak 41 1/2, Electric Light & Power 16 1/2, General Electric 28 1/2, General Motors 65 1/2, Goodrich 40, Goodyear 42 1/2, Homestake Mining 50 1/2, International Harvester 39 1/2, Inter. Paper 40 1/2, Inter. Tel. & Tel. 12 1/2, Johns-Manville 30, Kennecott Copper 45 1/2, Montgomery Ward 5 1/2, National Distillers 2 1/2, National Lead 3 1/2, New York Central 13 1/2, Packard Motors 4 1/2, Pan American Airways 9 1/2, Pennsylvania RR 17 1/2, Radio Corp. 8 1/2, Republic Steel 24 1/2, Reynolds 40 1/2, Sears Roebuck 34 1/2, Shell Oil 31 1/2, Socony Vacuum 16 1/2, Southern Pacific 40 1/2, Standard Brands 27 1/2, Standard Oil of Calif. 67 1/2, Standard Oil of N. J. 72 1/2, Standard Oil of Ind. 72 1/2, Union Pacific 31 1/2, Union Carbide 9 1/2, US Rubber 48, US Steel 71 1/2, US Lines 10 1/2, Westinghouse 28 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 72 1/2, Gen. Pub. Utilities 12 1/2—Associated Press.

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Airmail for Manila P.I., Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Manila P.I., (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Canton, Luchow and Kunming; Airmail for Amoy, Shanghai, Nanjing, Hankow, Tientsin and Peking, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Closing Times By Sea and Train
 Canton, 7 a.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shikhi, 8 a.m.

Canton, 2 p.m.

Shanghai, 3 p.m.

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BLACK MARKET WINS LADIES' PURSE

Prospects of substantial dividends, encouraged by the handsome pay-outs in the first two events, did not materialise in the subsequent races comprising the programme for the third day of the Annual Race Carnival at Happy Valley yesterday.

Despite the very much smaller fields, the large crowd of racing enthusiasts were treated to an excellent day of sport, favoured with brilliant weather.

The day was marked by two races, Golden Dragon and City of Brisbane, which after completing their respective races, Golden Dragon won the Phoenix Handicap (first section), and City of Brisbane was second in the Tientsin Stakes (second section).

A protest lodged by C. L. Grey against Blue Sky 1, during and bumping was sustained by the Stewards, who altered the official results of the Grand Stand Stakes (first section) to 1st, Victory; 2nd, Arctic; 3rd, Prince of Wales.

Dividends were, with the exception of the first two races, on the low side, with three events paying the minimum of \$5.00 each of the three placed ponies.

The highest win pay-out was by Hatched (Long, 21.00), which, carrying 355 lbs., won a total of 19,700, run in four lengths ahead of favourite, 1st, for a total of \$119.30.

Backed only to the extent of 190 placed tickets out of 3,000, Kookaburra (C. Fong) paid the highest place dividend of \$56 when it came in third in the opening race, confined to novices.

Ladies' Purse

The main event of the day, the Ladies' Purse, attracted only six contenders. For some time, the favourite, Larkspur, followed by Black Market, followed by Black Market (Buye) jumped to the front on the rise of the barrier and maintained its position until coming down the home stretch, it was overtaken by Larkspur (S. C. Liang).

The latter's lead was short-lived, lasting only until coming into the straight when Black Market again forged to the front, closely followed by Larkspur (S. C. Liang), with Larkspur (S. C. Liang) third.

When the winning post was passed, Black Market was two and a half lengths in front of Larkspur, with Larkspur (S. C. Liang) the same distance behind the second pony.

Winning jockey M. M. Boycott was presented with the Purse by Miss Joan Kenniff (daughter of the Director of Public Works) and, in turn, presented the young lady with a lovely bouquet.

Miss Kenniff was later escorted to lunch by Boycott.

Tientsin Stakes

Lovely Lady (S. V. Lee) caused one of the upsets of the day when it ran in first in the Tientsin Stakes (first section), beating the favourite, Beckham, by three lengths.

Only two starters faced Mr. P. A. in the Chinese Club Cup, Dominion Day, which was won by 15 lengths behind N. S. Princess at the Rock.

Holding his mount tightly in check, Donald Black was contented to pass the Judges' Stand three lengths in front of Dominion Day.

Full results were as follows:

Jockey Cup

Race 1—A Cup value \$100 will be presented to the winning jockey. A Handicap for Australian Ponies (D. Class). Ponies to be ridden by jockeys who have not won 10 races anywhere at any time. No whips or spurs allowed.—From the 2 Mile Post round & in (About 1 Mile 171 Yards).

1, Souvenir; 2, Al Fresco; 3, Kookaburra; 4, Jackal.

Won by a length; a head.

Time: 2:02.2.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$17.60, Places \$9.40, \$27.50, \$50.40.

BEETING—Al Fresco 155 (Wong Yan) 110, 122; Blue Peter 155 (R. L. Gray) 110, 122; Empire 155 (T. L. Don) 110, 122; Happy Brown 155 (P. G. Harrison) 110, 122; Honeybees 155 (R. A. Castro) 110, 122; Jockey 155 (W. S. Young) 110, 122; Jackal 155 (Leong Thoon) 110, 122; Kookaburra 155 (C. F. Fong) 110, 122; Lola 155 (C. F. Fong) 110, 122; Souvenir 155 (P. A. Sequeira) 110, 122; Total Win \$8.22, Place \$5.92.

Leighton Hill Stakes

Race 2—(First Section).—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of one race, 5 lb.; of two or more races, 10 lb. penalty.—One Mile.

1, Darling; 2, Shading; 3, Tit for Tat; 4, Ding How.

Won by 2 lengths; 2 lengths.

Time: 1:53.3.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$19.30, Places \$12.70, \$7.00, \$7.20.

BEETING—Darling 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Shading 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Tit for Tat 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Ding How 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Total Win \$19.30, Place \$7.20.

Junior Softball

HAVE YOU WON?

RACE 1		
1st No. 121	\$2.115	
2nd " 1143	604	
3rd " 1149	102	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 2335, 1261, 1848, 2994, 1216, 1527, 2891, 1063, 1172.		
RACE 2		
1st No. 2563	\$2.575	
2nd " 2213	716	
3rd " 1436	368	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 1223, 2855, 2794, 3605, 2742.		
RACE 3		
1st No. 829	\$2.565	
2nd " 3186	711	
3rd " 3151	366	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 1056, 642, 966, 1700, 3941, 2845, 3817.		
RACE 4		
1st No. 1514	\$2.935	
2nd " 420	818	
3rd " 2995	439	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 2451, 2418, 1937.		
RACE 5		
1st No. 175	\$1.253	
2nd " 1149	929	
3rd " 701	165	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 71, 3801, 3841.		
RACE 6		
1st No. 1845	\$3.993	
2nd " 4271	1,131	
3rd " 4152	1,034	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 2751, 1682, 3236, 2411, 4258.		
RACE 7		
1st No. 2883	\$3.802	
2nd " 1022	1,087	
3rd " 1262	543	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 1592, 296, 611, 2920.		
RACE 8		
1st No. 1265	\$4.052	
2nd " 2448	1,158	
3rd " 3597	579	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 1742, 4131, 398, 5502.		
RACE 9		
1st No. 2473	\$4.466	
2nd " 1129	1,276	
3rd " 1129	618	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 3123.		
RACE 10		
1st No. 5299	\$5.307	
2nd " 3877	1,516	
3rd " 480	758	
Unplaced ponies (\$100 each)		
No. 2020, 7280, 440, 2150.		

Grand Stand Stakes

Race 9—(Second Section).—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of one race, 5 lb.; of two or more races, 10 lb. penalty.—Six Furlongs.

1, Meteor; 2, Rasher; 3, Big Shot; 4, Strathnamara.

Won by 2 lengths; 3 lengths.

Time: 1:20.0.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$6.90, Places \$6.10, \$6.30, \$8.00.

BEETING—Meteor 147 (Wong Yan) 110, 122; Rasher 147 (Wong Yan) 110, 122; Big Shot 147 (Wong Yan) 110, 122; Strathnamara 147 (Wong Yan) 110, 122; Total Win \$6.90, Place \$8.00.

Chinese Club Cup

Race 6—Presented, For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948. Weight 148 lbs. Winner of the Hong Kong Derby barred.—One and a Quarter Mile.

1, N. S. Princess; 2, Dominion Day.

Won by 3 lengths.

Time: 2:27.0.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$7.50, Places \$6.70, \$5.40, \$5.70.

BEETING—N. S. Princess 148 (H. P. Channon) 110, 122; Dominion Day 148 (H. P. Channon) 110, 122; Total Win \$7.50, Place \$5.70.

Phaethon Handicap

Race 7—(First Section).—For Australian Ponies (C. Class).—Six Furlongs.

1, Golden Dragon; 2, Arabian Moon; 3, Peacock; 4, Lightning.

Won by a length; 3/4 length.

Time: 1:20.0.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$9.70, Places \$6.10, \$6.30, \$8.00.

BEETING—Arabian Moon 144 (A. Ostrumoff) 110, 122; Golden Dragon 144 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Peacock 144 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Lightning 144 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Total Win \$9.70, Place \$8.00.

Leighton Hill Stakes

Race 8—(Second Section).—For Australian Subscription Ponies of 1948. Weight 147 lbs. Winners of one race, 5 lb.; of two or more races, 10 lb. penalty.—One Mile.

1, Panda; 2, Anyway; 3, Sapientia; 4, Possibility.

Won by 1/2 length; 3/4 length.

Time: 1:20.4.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$30.30, Places \$7.90, \$6.30, \$6.30.

BEETING—Panda 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Anyway 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Sapientia 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Possibility 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Total Win \$30.30, Place \$6.30.

Phaethon Handicap

Race 11—(Second Section).—For Australian Ponies (C. Class).—Six Furlongs.

1, Shuanghui; 2, Airdred; 3, Tenny; 4, Fat Choy.

Won by 1/2 length; 3/4 length.

Time: 1:20.4.

Parl-Mutuel Win \$30.30, Places \$7.90, \$6.30, \$6.30.

BEETING—Shuanghui 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Airdred 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Tenny 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Fat Choy 147 (Tang Man) 110, 122; Total Win \$30.30, Place \$6.30.

Professional Coach To Train Local Soccer Players?

At yesterday's Council Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association, a suggestion put forward by Mr. J. Skinner, chairman of the meeting, for the engagement of a professional coach to train local soccer players was referred to the Finance Committee of the Association for consideration.

Mr. Mok Hing, the South China representative, again brought up the question of the wholesale transfer of players from Kit Chee to Sing Tao. He said that such a transfer was against the spirit of the game and totally unfair to other clubs. He asked that the transfer be declared null and void.

In putting forward his suggestion for the engagement of a professional coach, Mr. Skinner referred to the fact that the British Empire Games would be held in 1950. As Hong Kong was sending a soccer team, it was essential that steps be taken to improve the standard of football in Hong Kong.

He had spoken to Mr. Morse on the subject and the latter had expressed approval of the plan. It was estimated that a sum of \$20,000 would permit of a first-class coach being engaged.

Queensland Beats South Australia

Brisbane, Jan. 20.—In an exciting finish, Queensland beat South Australia by four wickets with nine minutes to spare in the Sheffield Shield match here today.

South Australia, 170 for 3 overnight, were all out for 277 in their second innings, leaving Queensland to get 209 in three and a half hours for victory, but they did this for the loss of 6 wickets.

W. A. Brown, the Test batsman, and Rex Rogers put on 112 runs in 85 minutes for the opening partnership. Rogers making 67 and hitting eight fours. Brown scored 83 not out and was in splendid form.

Thereafter wickets fell rapidly. J. Noblett (medium pace) taking four for seven in one spell, but Queensland, needing 25 runs in the last 20 minutes, won an exciting race against the clock.

In South Australia's innings: McCool, the Test bowler, on a wicket responsive to spin, took six for 97. Ron Hannebery, 88, and Phil Ridings, 58, were top scorers.

The scores were:—South Australia 262 and 277; Queensland 231 and 109 for 6.—Reuter.

MCC Draw With Barbados

Bridgetown, Jan. 19.—The M.C.C. touring eleven drew their match with Barbados today. The visitors had much the better of the play, the home side, in their second innings, being only 67 ahead with two wickets in hand.

Scores:—Barbados 240 for 6 (decl) and 182 for 8. M.C.C. 358.—Reuter.

Ten Tons Of Fish Confiscated

Nearly 10 tons of marine fish were ordered to be confiscated yesterday by Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central.

Mr. Conklin also imposed a fine of \$500 on Lo War, 56, fish dealer, for importing 16,548 catties of salt water fish into the colony without a permit from the Fishery Department.

Prosecuting, Inspector Brownrigg said that defendant's load of fish was intercepted by Sub-Inspector Saunders at Connaught Road West near Wilmer Street, at 12.40 p.m.

CLUB TEAM

The following have been selected to represent Club at Rugby against H.M.S. London on the Club ground at 5.15 p.m. today.

Dunnell, Baker, H. Clark, E. J. Brown, Robertson, G. Godfrey, J. Timmer, M. Slater, T. Bowman, Gauntlett, R. Thompson, V. A. J. G. Taylor, Mackie and R. N. Messem.

There will be a free discussion among members of the Y's Men's Club at the Club's weekly luncheon tomorrow. The function will take place at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, at 12.40 p.m.

Comb-Out Of Spivs And Drones

LONDON, Jan. 19.—THE GOVERNMENT'S COMB-OUT OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN "NOT GAINFULLY EMPLOYED OR OCCUPIED" AND INCLUDING SOME YOUNG SOCIETY PEOPLE BEGAN TODAY WHEN THOSE WITH SUR-NAME FROM A TO C WERE REQUIRED TO REGISTER AT LOCAL LABOUR EXCHANGES.

The order applies to men and women who, for the last nine weeks, up to yesterday had not been gainfully employed or occupied for at least 30 hours in each week.

Officials at the Great Marlborough Street Labour Exchange, London, equipped with hundreds of blank forms, waited hopefully this morning for people to register.

But in over three hours, only one girl in the appropriate age group arrived.—Reuter.

Airline Pilots Charged

Shanghai, Jan. 20.—Suspected of attempting to sell foreign currency on the black market, two American civilian pilots, a Frenchman and a Russian were arrested by the Economic Police at a tobacco shop in the former French Concession last evening but were released after questioning at a police station, according to Chinese press reports.

Each of the foreigners had a certain amount of foreign currency in his possession but this was not confiscated.

The Economic Police are still engaged in the drive against foreign currency marketeers, the majority of whom are still lying low refusing even to quote.—Reuter.

Good Point But...

Mr. Skinner, while agreeing that the point raised was a good one, emphasised that the transfer having taken place nothing more could be done.

It was pointed out by Mr. Mok that under the rules of the Association, the Council were empowered, if they thought fit, to decline a transfer. Mr. Mok submitted that in view of the circumstances, the transfer should not have been allowed and asked that the Council should declare it null and void.

Linesmen at junior games came in for much criticism and it was stressed by Mr. Skinner that the provision of linesmen was the responsibility of Clubs.

The manner in which games were being handled by referees was also discussed. The matter was referred to the Referees Sub-committee.

The draw for the Semi-finals of the Challenge Shield resulted as follows:

SENIOR

Eastern v Kit Chee
K.M.B. v Sing Tao
JUNIOR
Chinese Athletic v South China
Navy v Kowloon Motor Bus

Felixstowe

A naval dockyard tug, thought to have been carrying a crew of about 15, blew up and sank off Felixstowe today.

An Admiralty spokesman said tonight there would be no official statement until the next of kin of casualties had been informed.—Reuter.

FOOD SHORTAGE STRIKE

Cologne, Jan. 19.—A strike of 1,500 tramway workers protesting against the food shortage in the Ruhr area, brought Cologne street transport to a standstill today and all factory workers had to walk to work.

Transport union leaders are to meet shop stewards from most of the big Cologne factories tomorrow to discuss a possible extension of the strike.—Reuter.

Darmstadt, Jan. 20.—Trade Union leaders meeting here passed a resolution proposing that if the food problem did not rapidly improve, a general demonstration strike throughout the Ruhr would be organised.—Reuter.

Cruisers Sail A Long Race

Four cruisers had one of their longest sailing races of the season last Sunday, when Aquilla (F. Clemo) Arlki (T. Honess), Westwind (G. G. Wood) and Yvonne (Gray) raced from Kellel Island round Stonecutters, Ping Chau, Niko Chau, and Green Island back to Kellel.

Westwind and Arlki had perhaps the most interesting part of the race. Westwind led to Stonecutters where Arlki Westwind the lead and increased it slightly all the way to Ping Chau. Beyond Ping Chau the wind practically stopped but not quite, and Arlki just kept moving whilst the others anchored in the foul tide. The wind freshened again about 3 p.m. and Westwind overtook Arlki on the beat and reached back to Green Island, Arlki made up a bit again going through Sulphur Channel and up harbour and finished only 1 1/2 minutes on actual time behind Westwind, and winning comfortably on her handicap. Yvonne and Aquilla did not make such good time and had not finished the course.

RESULTS

	Corrected Actual time	Time
1. Arlki (T. Honess)	6:42.50	6:42.50
2. Westwind (G. G. Wood)	7:41.47	7:41.47
Yvonne (Gray)		D.N.F.
Aquilla (Clemo)		D.N.F.

The result of the cruiser race on Saturday afternoon was—

Colour Bar Verdict

Norman, Oklahoma, Jan. 20.—A 23-year-old Negro student, Mrs. Ada L. S. Fisher, who took to the Supreme Court her fight for admittance to the law school of the University of Oklahoma, is to have her enrolment application accepted and to grant her equal and immediate education with white students.

Oklahoma's constitution provides for separate schools for white students and negroes.

Dr. J. E. Fellows, dean of admission to the university, said Mrs. Fisher's application would be accepted and she would be requested to furnish transcripts from the two Negro colleges she attended previously.—Reuter.

NAZI EXPLANATION OF DENMARK INVASION

Nuremberg, Jan. 19.—The American war crimes tribunal trying former members of the German Foreign Office, diplomats and Government officials, 21 "Wilhelmstrasse defendants," heard today how a German envoy tried to persuade Denmark on the day of the Wehrmacht invasion that the only reason Germany decided to send in troops was to save her "from British aggression."

Weekends Results

SATURDAY

DINGHY RACE

1. Theoria II (Manning G. Davis)	1:44.80
2. Amethyst (Griffith)	1:47.80
3. Theoria I (Goodhart)	1:49.10
4. Gambia I (Goodhart)	1:49.50
5. Theoria III (Martyn Smith)	1:50.80
6. Comet (Davis)	1:50.85
7. Gambia II (Goodhart)	1:52.10
8. G. (Lighthill)	1:52.10
9. G. (Lighthill)	1:52.10
Adamant VI (Abercrombie)	D.N.F.
Tyne II (Williams)	D.N.F.

STABLER

1. Alar (Chidley)	1:46.00
2. Belletrix (Hanning)	1:46.50
3. Polaris (Christensen)	1:47.10

SUNDAY

DINGHY RACE

1. H. J. (Symphony, Keith Hardy)	1:57.80
2. H. J. (Lighthill)	2:01.10
3. H. J. (Lighthill)	2:01.10
4. H. J. (Lighthill)	2:01.10

DINGHY RACE

1. Theoria II (Goodwick & Mrs.)	1:55.55
2. Theoria I (Manning, Dushell)	1:57.10
3. Theoria III (Wernham)	1:58.10
4. Tyne II (Miss P. Loeby)	1:58.10
5. Gambia I (Corbett E.)	1:58.10
6. G. (Lighthill)	1:58.10
7. G. (Lighthill)	1:58.10
8. B. S. (Sedgwick)	1:58.10
9. Maroon (Scott)	1:58.10
10. Black (Gracey)	1:58.10
11. Adamant VI (Forrow)	1:58.10

Spain Still Beyond The Pace

London, Jan. 19.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, is not seeking the inclusion of Franco Spain in the Marshall Plan, a Foreign Office spokesman said today, denying a report in the Daily Worker, the Communist newspaper.

Nor was it true, that Britain intended France to play the leading role in bringing this about, he added.—Reuter.

It is notified by the Commissioner of Police that French Street between Queen's Road West and Queen's Road East (between Pokfulam Road and Hill Road) are under repair and are closed to vehicular traffic from Jan. 19 until further notice.

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